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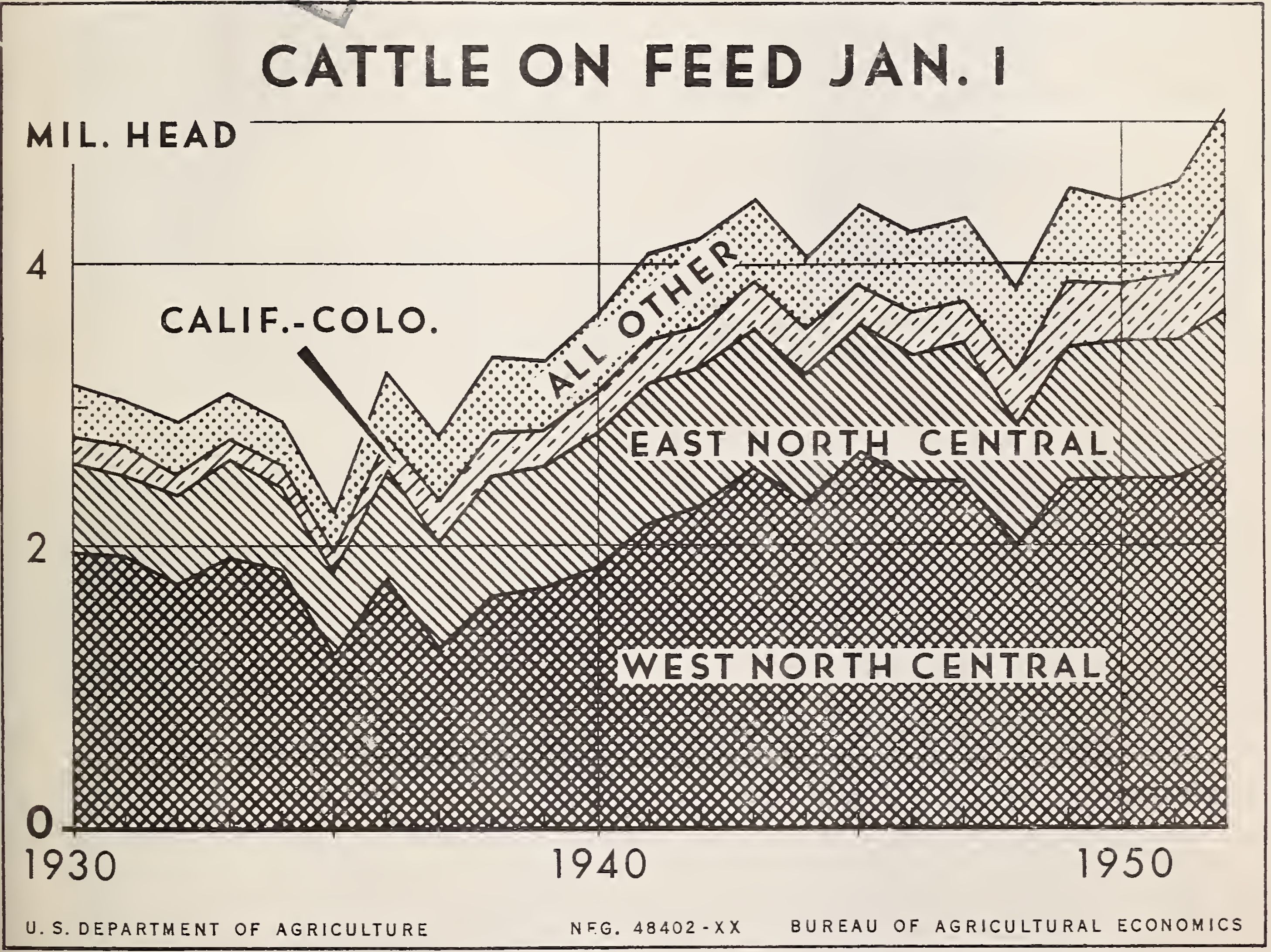

CATTLE ON FEED JAN. 1

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Cattle on feed for market numbered 5.1 million this January 1, 11 percent more than last January and a new record. Numbers were up 6 percent in the North Central States and 24 percent in the West. Colorado reported a gain of 31 percent and California, 60 percent.

Cattle feeding has shifted westward. In the last 10 years numbers on feed have increased 7 percent in the East North Central and 15 percent in the West North Central regions, but 85 percent in Colorado and 211 percent in California.

Movement of cattle to feedlots early this year apparently was down from a year before. This lower level of placements may continue for some time.

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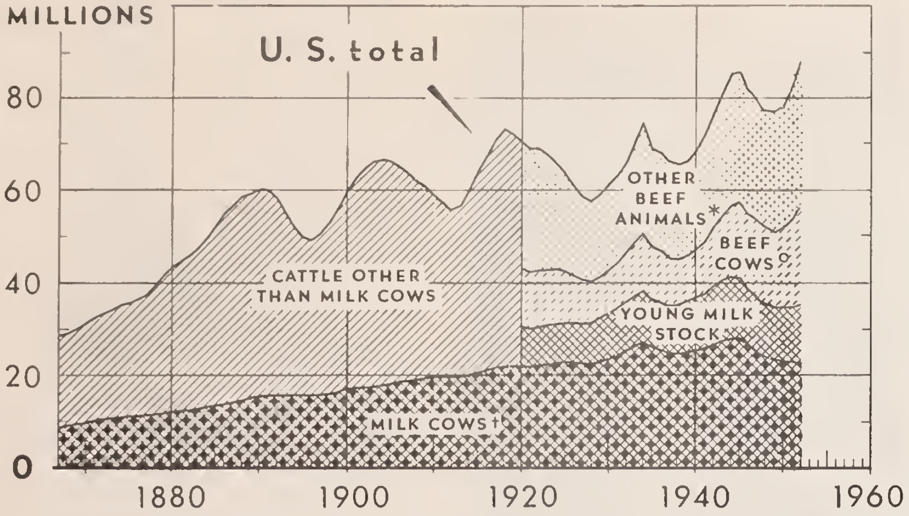

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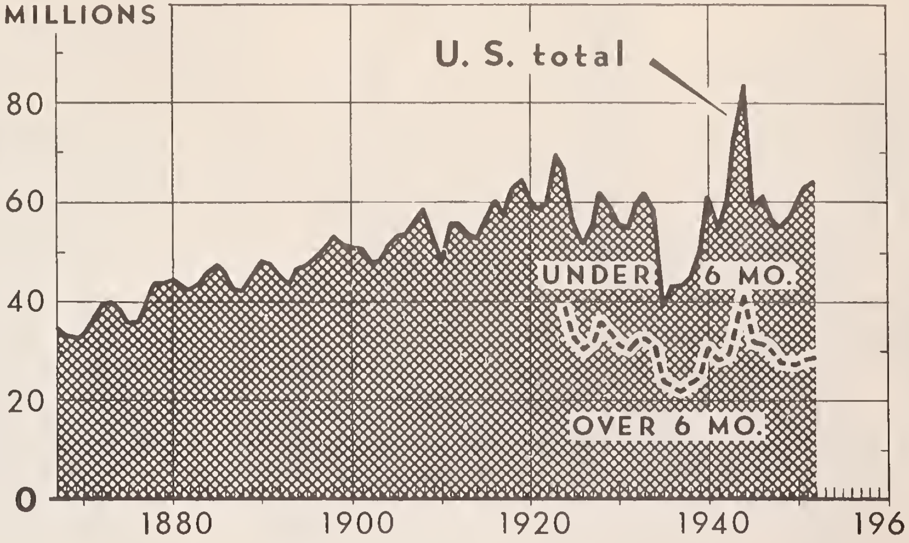

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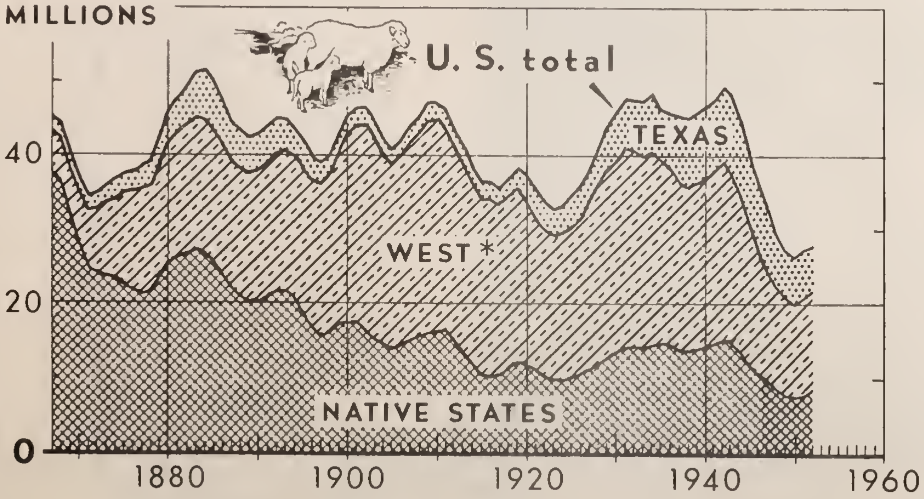

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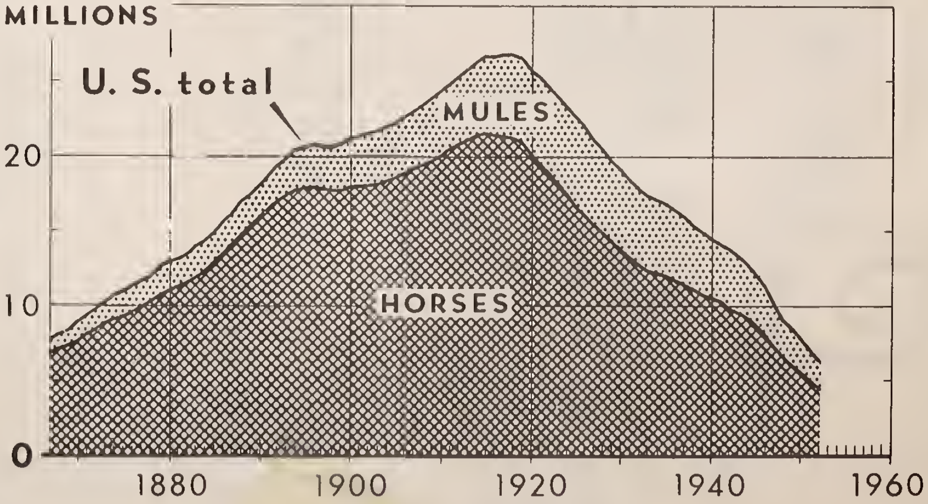

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THE LIVESTOCK AND MEAT SITUATION

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SUMMARY

Prices for meat animals have been somewhat weaker this winter than last as demand for meat has leveled off in recent months and supplies have improved. As this situation is not likely to change much soon, about the usual seasonal price movements are expected for meat animals this spring. Prices for fed cattle may decline as marketings rise while price increases are more likely for lower grade cattle which will go on grass. Prices of hogs will probably advance. This summer they may reach the level of a year earlier.

The January 1 inventory of meat animals on farms supports the outlook that slaughter of cattle and calves will increase moderately in 1952, that slaughter of sheep and lambs will increase somewhat, and that slaughter of hogs in the first part of 1952 will be above a year earlier. In the second half of 1952 hog slaughter will be below 1951 because the 1952 spring pig crop is being reduced due to smaller feed supplies.

Total meat production for 1952 is expected to be moderately above 1951. It may be the largest since 1947 but smaller than in each year from 1943 through 1947. Most of the increase over 1951 will occur in the late winter and spring. At that time last year, production was unusually low. Consumption per person for all of 1952 is likely to be 2 or 3 pounds more than the 138 pounds of 1951.

The total number of meat animals on farms on January 1 was up 5 percent from January 1951 and was the third highest on record. The number of cattle and calves on farms this January was a record 88.1 million, 6 million head or 7 percent more than last January. The number of sheep and lambs, though still small, was 4 percent larger than a year ago. The number of hogs was up 2 percent over the previous January, reflecting chiefly a similar gain in pigs saved last fall than the previous fall.

In the three years since January 1949, the number of cattle has increased 11 million head or 15 percent. Noteworthy were the much faster expansion in beef than in milk cattle and the greater percentage increase in the South and the Western Corn Belt than elsewhere. The number of all cattle and calves for milk rose only about ½ million over the three years but the number of cattle for beef increased 10½ million head or 26 percent. The number of beef cows alone climbed from 15.9 million in January 1949 to 20.6 million this January, a new record.

Over the three years, numbers of all cattle and calves rose 22 percent in the South Atlantic, 18 percent in the South Central, 10 percent in the East North Central and 16 percent in the West North Central Regions. In the West, the rise was 13 percent and in the North Atlantic Region, only 5 percent.

Included in the cattle and calves on farms this January were 5.1 million head on feed, 11 percent more than a year earlier and a new high. About 15 percent more sheep and lambs were on feed this January than last, but the number was small compared with most earlier years.

The historical data on livestock numbers were recently revised back to 1945 on the basis of the Census of 1950 and other information.

REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

Cattle Numbers Record High

The 88.1 million cattle and calves reported on farms January 1 were 6 million more than a year earlier. They were a new high, 2 1/2 million above the previous record established in 1945. The number has increased each year since 1949, but the gain in 1951 was the sharpest in the present upswing and was the largest increase ever registered in a single year. 1/

The recent expansion in cattle numbers is largely restricted to the beef classes. The number of all cattle and calves for milk increased only 1/4 million in 1951 and only a little over 1/2 million in the last 3 years. The number of beef cattle (cattle other than for milk) hit a new peak this January, 26 percent above 3 years earlier. The number of beef cows led all classes in the rate of increase over the 3 years. The 20.6 million on hand this January were 30 percent more than in January 1949.

Both dairy and beef cattle numbers had previously declined from peaks of the mid-1940's until 1948 when the current upturn began, with dairy cattle showing the sharper reduction. As the recent increase in cattle numbers was largely in beef cattle, a very substantial shift from dairy to beef cattle has occurred. The 35.9 million cattle and calves for milk on farms this January were 5.4 million below the record 41.3 million set for those classes in 1944. The 52.2 million beef cattle were up 7.5 million from 1945. A similar shift was reported in cows. The number of all cows this January was about the same as in 1945 but milk cows were down more than 4 million and beef cows had increased by about the same number.

The South Atlantic, South Central and West North Central regions led all others in the rate of expansion of cattle numbers in the last 3 years -- 22, 18, and 16 percent respectively. In the East North Central region the increase was 10 percent. In the West it was 13 percent and in the North Atlantic region only 5 percent.

The recent expansion in the number of cattle resulted from strong demand and favorable prices; from shifts out of cash crops in some areas of the South; and from improvements in forage production in many areas. Moreover, the expansion resumes a long-run uptrend in cattle numbers that has been made possible to large extent by the decline in numbers of horses and mules on farms which has released increasing amounts of feed

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1/ The increase in cattle numbers during 1951 was about as estimated last fall, but numbers this January were less than the 90 million expected because numbers for 1951 and previous years were revised downward in line with the 1950 Census.

and pasture for consumption by other livestock. From 1942 through 1949 declining numbers of sheep also increased the feed available to cattle.

If the pattern of previous cattle cycles is repeated, cattle numbers will continue upward about 3 more years, even though numbers are now at an all-time peak.

Cattle on Feed January 1 Also Record High

The 5.1 million cattle and calves reported this January 1 on feed for market were 11 percent more than the previous record in January last year. The increase was general throughout the United States, as only 4 States had fewer cattle on feed than last January. The greatest increase was in the West. California had 60 percent more on feed than a year before and the increase for the entire Western Region was 24 percent. The increase in the North Central Region was 6 percent.

Reports from the Corn Belt showed a higher proportion of heavy-weight cattle on feed this January than last. Cattle weighing over 900 pounds made up 31 percent of the total, compared with 26 percent last year.

The increase in cattle on feed accounted in part for a rise of 20 percent over last year in the number of steers on farms. The 8.4 million steers reported this January were the most since 1923.

Numbers of Sheep and Lambs Up One Million

Numbers of sheep and lambs increased 1.1 million head in 1951. This was the second increase in a row, but the 31.7 million on hand this January were quite small compared with earlier years. Numbers declined steadily from a high of 56.2 million in January 1942 to a low of 29.8 million in January 1950.

The inventory this January included 15 percent more sheep and lambs on feed than a year before. Stock sheep were increased 588 thousand head or 2 percent.

The number of hogs also is above last year. About 2 percent more were reported on farms January 1 of this year than last. The increase reflected chiefly a similar increase in pigs farrowed last fall over the previous fall.

With the number of each class greater than last year, the index of numbers of all meat animals combined rose to 126 (1935-39=100), 6 points above last January, the highest since 1944 and the third highest on record (table 1).

Table 1.- Numbers of livestock on farms January 1, 1942 to date

Year	Numbers on farms					Index of numbers by groups, 1935-39= 100			
	All cattle and calves	All sheep and lambs	Hogs	Horses and mules	Chickens	Total livestock and poultry	Meat animals	Milk animals	Poultry
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head				
1942	76,025	56,213	60,607	13,655	476,935	112	117	107	118
1943	81,204	55,150	73,881	13,231	542,047	120	128	111	132
1944	85,334	50,782	83,741	12,613	582,197	126	135	114	142
1945	85,573	46,520	59,373	11,950	516,497	117	125	113	127
1946	82,235	42,362	61,306	11,108	523,227	113	122	107	129
1947	80,554	37,498	56,810	10,129	467,217	108	117	105	114
1948	77,171	34,337	54,590	9,279	449,644	103	112	100	108
1949	76,830	30,943	56,257	8,498	430,876	102	112	98	105
1950	77,963	29,826	58,852	7,781	456,549	103	114	98	111
1951	82,025	30,635	62,852	7,067	442,657	106	120	98	108
1952	88,062	31,725	63,903	6,293	453,498	111	126	97	111

Cattle and Sheep Slaughter to Increase, Hog Slaughter to Decline Relative to 1951

Trends in slaughter of livestock for the next year or longer will largely follow the recent trends in numbers. Slaughter of cattle and of sheep in 1952 will likely exceed 1951. Slaughter of hogs will average a little above last year for a while but later will drop below 1951 due to a decline in numbers raised. The year's total hog slaughter is expected to fall a little below last year.

The large inventory of cattle--both in total and for steers and all fed cattle--points to an increase in cattle slaughter in 1952 over the relatively small slaughter of 1951. Present prospects are for the increase to be moderate. Slaughter will be less than current production, and the number of cattle on farms will show a further gain during 1952.

Much of the increase in cattle slaughter this year will consist of fed cattle marketed this winter and spring. Slaughter of fed cattle was larger than last year in January and February and will probably continue larger throughout most or all the spring.

In the last 2 or 3 months fewer cattle have gone on feed than a year before. Shorter supplies and higher prices of feed have been a factor in the reduced movement to feedlots. Less optimism regarding future trends for cattle prices may also have been an influence. However, the recovery of 2 to 3 dollars per 100 pounds in prices of feeder cattle the last 2 months suggests that feeders may have regained confidence. Also, numbers moving have been rising recently.

While fed cattle will provide most or all the increase over 1951 in cattle slaughter early in 1952, grass cattle will provide the gain later in the year. The extent of the increase in slaughter of grass cattle this fall will be determined by trends in cattle prices and by the size of the new corn crop. A large corn crop would boost the movements to feedlots and limit the increase in slaughter.

Slaughter of sheep and lambs was slightly below last year in January and slightly above in February. In months ahead slaughter will probably average a little larger than in 1951. The increase in sheep and lamb slaughter in prospect for 1952 would be the first since 1943. Slaughter in 1951 was the smallest in this century.

Hog slaughter is expected to average a little above 1951 until about mid-spring. Thereafter, it will be less than last year. This prospect is based on farrowings last fall. Until September, more sows had farrowed each month than a year before. Beginning in September, farrowings were down from the previous year. Moreover, farmers intended to reduce by 8 percent the number of sows farrowing this spring.

Slaughter of hogs this summer will probably be several percent less than last summer. A reduction is probable both for barrows and gilts and for sows slaughtered. By fall, hog slaughter will be considerably short of the corresponding 1951 slaughter. It will then reflect the reduction actually made in the number of spring pigs saved.

With moderately more cattle, slightly more sheep and lambs, and not quite so many hogs to be slaughtered in 1952 as in 1951, total meat production may rise by around 3 to 5 percent. Production at this indicated level would be the largest production since 1947 but less than in each year from 1943 through 1947. Consumption of all meat per person in 1952 promises to be 2 or 3 pounds more than the 138 pounds consumed in 1951.

Large Holdings of Meat in Cold Storage

Holdings of meat in cold storage on January 1 were the largest for the date since 1937 and on February 1 were the largest February holding since 1920. Stocks of pork on February 1 were 647 million pounds, 4 percent larger than a year before, and stocks of beef, at 234 million pounds, were up 46 percent. Freezer capacity, particularly freezer space in meat packing plants, was reported to be nearly filled on February 1.

Prices of Most Meat Animals to Average Lower than in 1951

Price trends for meat animals in the last several months have displayed a rather persistent though not pronounced weakness. This is in contrast with the rise in prices at this time last year. The usual seasonal gain for hogs did not appear in January and February. Prices of lambs slipped to their lowest since the fall of 1950.

Table 2.- Retail value of meat consumed compared with disposable personal income, 1937-41 average, by years, 1947 to date

Period	Average retail price of meat per pound	Retail value of meat consumed per person 2/	Disposable personal income per person	Retail value of meat as percentage of disposable income
	Cents	Dollars	Dollars	Percent
1937-41 av.	25.7	29.86	568	5.3
1947	56.2	75.34	1,169	6.4
1948	62.6	78.88	1,277	6.2
1949	56.8	70.74	1,243	5.7
1950	59.4	74.11	1,339	5.5
1951	65.8	79.25	1,436	5.5

1/ Weighted average of retail prices for all important cuts.
2/ Computed from estimated retail weight of each type of meat consumed per civilian consumer.
Compiled from appendix Table A-20.

Prices of cattle drifted downward from about last September to this January but the better grades have shown more stability since. The average price received by farmers for beef cattle in January was $2.30 per hundred pounds below the September price of $29.50. Since January 1 the average price of Choice slaughter steers at Chicago has varied between 34.50 and 35.00 dollars per hundred pounds.

The price trends are mainly a readjustment from the very high levels of 1951, which is occurring as demand apparently fails to strengthen further and the supply of meat both from current slaughter and from storage is more adequate. In addition to this general situation, the price of hogs was held down as the seasonally heavy run, which usually ends in late January, was prolonged until late February. Heavy lambs have been discounted sharply because of the large supply.

Prices for meat animals have also been weakened by lower by-product prices. A major cause for lower prices of lambs this winter is the much lower value of pelts and wool. In recent weeks No. 1 packer shearlings at Chicago have been quoted at about $3.00 each, only half the corresponding price a year earlier. Cattle hides were below year-earlier levels with some grades showing even greater proportional declines. Prices of lard and tallow have been substantially below a year earlier. However, the decline in lard prices has been moderated by a heavy demand for export.

In months ahead, the general average of cattle and sheep and lamb prices may remain a little below last year. However, the defense program is likely to maintain demand well enough to prevent any marked weakness in prices. Strengthening tendencies are most likely for hogs.

Approximately the usual seasonal movements are the most likely prospect for cattle prices this spring. Prices of the top grades may decline moderately. Prices of cows and lower grades of heifers and steers may rise somewhat in response to the seasonal demand for cattle to go on grass. However, the price gain for these classes may not be as great as usual and certainly less than early last spring. One reason is that supplies of grazing cattle probably will be larger this year. Also, prices of lower grade cattle have not dropped quite as far below prices of top grades this winter as in most winters; hence, there is less chance of their rising so much relative to top grades. Furthermore, it is typical of a period of scarcity and high prices, such as 1951, that the largest percentage increases occur in prices of lower grades. When the supply situation eases, prices of the lower grades decline most. This kind of reaction could mark the cattle price picture for 1952.

Reduced numbers of cattle going on feed now may result in material price gains for fed cattle this fall, after most of the cattle fed during the past winter have been marketed.

Prices of hogs are expected to climb rather steadily and this summer may reach the corresponding 1951 prices. Prices this fall may decline less than usual for that season and may average higher than last fall.

Prices of lambs in 1952 compared with 1951 will be affected by the slightly larger slaughter in prospect, by the lower average price for wool, and by lower prices for cattle. It is likely that lambs will average a little below the price of last year.

Demand for Meat Comparatively Steady; Ending Uptrend

Demand for meat appears to have been fairly steady for a number of months, ending the uptrend that began in the spring of 1950 and lasted until economic conditions leveled off early last fall. The comparative stability of economic activity and incomes since fall is the primary explanation of a similar stability in demand.

Demand for meat is very sensitive to changes in income. During an inflation, demand for meat tends to outrun income, and during the first stages of deflation it tends to fall sharply. Just after the end of World War II, for example, demand for meat was so strong that retail value of meat consumed in 1947 amounted to 6.4 percent of disposable personal income (table 2). By 1950 the percentage relationship had dropped to 5.5 and preliminary data indicate that it remained at that figure in 1951. The inflationary pressures the first half of last year probably would have resulted in a slightly higher ratio to income if prices had not been held down somewhat by controls.

Table 3.- Average retail price of meats, farm value and marketing charge, per retail pound, 1937-41 average, by years 1946 to date, by months 1951.

Year or month	Retail price 1/	Net farm value 2/	Margin	Government processor payments	Marketing charge 3/	Government payments to producers 4/	Adjusted farm value 5/
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
				All meat products			
1937-41 av.	25.6	12.8	12.8	-	12.8	-	12.8
1946	38.5	26.3	12.2	1.8	14.0	0.2	26.5
1947	55.4	35.4	20.0	-	20.0	-	35.4
1948	62.0	39.0	23.0	-	23.0	-	39.0
1949	56.0	33.7	22.3	-	22.3	-	33.7
1950	59.1	36.8	22.3	-	22.3	-	36.8
1951 6/	67.3	44.2	23.2	-	23.2	-	44.2
				Beef (Choice grade)			
1937-41 av.	29.5	17.0	12.5	-	12.5	-	17.0
1946	41.8	33.2	8.6	2.6	11.2	0.3	33.5
1947	61.1	44.2	16.9	-	16.9	-	44.2
1948	73.7	53.0	20.7	-	20.7	-	53.0
1949	66.8	45.6	21.2	-	21.2	-	45.6
1950	73.5	51.8	21.7	-	21.7	-	51.8
1951 6/	85.7	64.0	21.7		21.7		64.0
By months, 1951 6/							
Jan.	83.2	61.2	22.0	-	22.0	-	61.2
Feb.	85.0	65.0	20.0	-	20.0	-	65.0
Mar.	84.8	64.5	20.3	-	20.3	-	64.5
Apr.	85.4	65.1	20.3	-	20.3	-	65.1
May	84.5	63.0	21.5	-	21.5	-	63.0
June	84.7	62.0	22.7	-	22.7	-	62.0
July	84.8	61.1	23.7	-	23.7	-	61.1
Aug.	84.7	63.8	20.9	-	20.9	-	63.8
Sept.	84.9	65.6	19.3	-	19.3	-	65.6
Oct.	88.6	67.9	20.7	-	20.7	-	67.9
Nov.	89.0	66.2	22.8	-	22.8	-	66.2
Dec.	88.9	63.1	25.8	-	25.8	-	63.1
				Pork, including lard			
1937-41 av.	20.4	10.7	9.7	-	9.7	-	10.7
1946	33.4	24.0	9.4	1.4	10.8	-	24.0
1947	47.2	33.6	13.6	-	13.6	-	33.6
1948	47.5	32.4	15.1	-	15.1	-	32.4
1949	41.1	25.4	15.7	-	15.7	-	25.4
1950	40.6	25.3	15.4	-	15.4	-	25.3
1951 6/	44.9	28.1	16.8	-	16.8	-	28.1
By months, 1951 6/							
Jan.	44.1	27.8	16.3	-	16.3	-	27.8
Feb.	45.4	30.6	14.8	-	14.8	-	30.6
Mar.	45.5	29.5	16.0	-	16.0	-	29.5
Apr.	45.1	28.6	16.5	-	16.5	-	28.6
May	45.1	28.4	16.7	-	16.7	-	28.4
June	45.4	29.3	16.1	-	16.1	-	29.3
July	45.4	28.9	16.5	-	16.5	-	28.9
Aug.	45.7	29.5	16.2	-	16.2	-	29.5
Sept.	45.6	27.4	18.2	-	18.2	-	27.4
Oct.	45.5	28.2	17.3	-	17.3	-	28.2
Nov.	43.9	25.0	18.9	-	18.9	-	25.0
Dec.	42.5	24.5	18.0	-	18.0	-	24.5
				Lamb			
1937-41 av.	27.0	13.8	13.3	-	13.3	-	13.8
1946	42.1	26.8	15.3	-	15.3	2.2	29.0
1947	56.7	37.3	19.4	-	19.4	-	37.3
1948	64.3	42.1	22.2	-	22.2	-	42.1
1949	67.4	41.4	26.0	-	26.0	-	41.4
1950	69.6	44.7	24.9	-	24.9	-	44.7
1951 6/	77.4	53.3	24.1	-	24.1	-	53.3
By months, 1951 6/							
Jan.	74.1	47.0	27.1	-	27.1	-	47.0
Feb.	74.6	50.1	24.5	-	24.5	-	50.1
Mar.	73.5	51.9	21.6	-	21.6	-	51.9
Apr.	76.0	55.1	20.9	-	20.9	-	55.1
May	77.5	56.3	21.2	-	21.2	-	56.3
June	78.4	57.1	21.3	-	22.8	-	57.1
July	77.8	55.0	22.8	-	22.8	-	55.0
Aug.	77.5	54.5	23.0	-	23.0	-	54.5
Sept.	78.1	55.2	22.9	-	22.9	-	55.2
Oct.	78.6	54.2	24.4	-	24.4	-	54.2
Nov.	80.4	52.5	27.9	-	27.9	-	52.5
Dec.	82.0	51.2	30.8	-	30.8	-	51.2

1/ Calculated from "market basket" values. 2/ Farm value of live animal of weight and grade necessary to produce 1 pound of meat products at retail minus the computed value of byproducts. Standard factors are 2.16 pounds of cattle, 2.16 pounds of lambs, and 1.41 pounds of hog. 3/ "Adjusted margin". Equals margin plus Government payments to slaughterers. 4/ Government payments to cattle and sheep feeders. 5/ Net farm value plus Government payments to livestock producers. 6/ Preliminary estimate.

Parity Prices Change in January

In accordance with the formula prescribed in the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1949, the base period used for calculating parity prices was moved forward one year on January 15. The new 1942-51 adjusted base price for hogs was 8 cents per 100 pounds, or about 1 percent, less than the 1941-50 base used last year. The new base prices for lambs, cattle, and calves were about 5 percent higher than the old. For lambs the rise was 38 cents per 100 pounds; for veal calves, 42 cents per 100 pounds; and for beef cattle, 34 cents per 100 pounds. Since the index of prices paid by farmers for interest, taxes and farm wage rates increased 3 points or about 1 percent from December 15 to January 15, the parity for hogs on January 15 remained unchanged at $21.50 per 100 pounds. The parity for lambs advanced from $21.90 to $23.20; for veal calves, from $22.30 to $23.70: and for beef cattle, from $19.90 to $21.10.

A fuller explanation of methods of computing parity may be found in this Situation for February 1950.

Marketings Margins Wider in 1951 for Pork, About Unchanged for Beef

The total price margin between the retail price for meat and the price received by farmers for live animals was slightly larger in 1951 than in 1950 for pork and about unchanged for beef. For all meats combined, the margin increased not quite 1 cent per pound or approximately 4 percent. This was less than the percentage increase in retail prices, so that the percentage of the consumer's meat dollar received by farmers increased moderately.

The marketing charge or margin is defined as the total spread between the retail price of meat per pound and the value received by the farmer for the equivalent weight of live animal (excluding the value of byproducts derived from it). The margin includes the costs and profits of the entire marketing process including transportation, marketing, and slaughter of livestock and processing, transportation, wholesaling and retailing of meat.

The marketing margin is significant in an analysis of prices of meat animals because those prices are influenced so strongly by the demand for and price of meat at retail. In fact, the relationship between farmers' prices and consumer demand is probably closer for meat than for almost any other farm product.

As has often been pointed out in this Situation, marketing margins for meat do not necessarily follow, over any considerable period of time, the prices either of meat or of live animals. They are determined more by costs of marketing than by prices of the products -- costs of labor, rents, materials and supplies, transportation changes, taxes and interest rates. These costs change rather slowly. The efficiency of the marketing system also is improved only very gradually. Consequently, marketing margins for meat normally are more stable than prices of meat or livestock. Because of this stability, when meat prices are rising rapidly margins usually appear comparatively small and the farmer's share of the consumer's meat dollar is increased. When meat prices fall, margins are relatively large and the farmer's share declines.

Responding to the general inflationary pressures, marketing margins have trended generally upward since the end of World War II. Margins in 1951 in part conformed to this uptrend, but they also were affected by price control regulations imposed during the year. The marketing margin on pork, the meat least subject to price controls last year, increased rather substantially over 1950. The margin on beef fluctuated during the year in line with developments in price control. In early months, when prices of beef were controlled but prices of cattle were not, margins were narrow as cattle prices pushed upward so hard as to bring requests for limits on live cattle prices. After the limits were established on June 4, the marketing margin widened. It then narrowed when cattle prices again pressed upward, but widened once more when supplies of cattle began to increase and price pressures diminished. For the year as a whole, marketing margins on beef were about the same as in 1950.

Outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in Canada

Imports of meat animals and fresh meats into the United States from Canada have been prohibited since February 25 following the diagnosis of foot and mouth disease in the province of Saskatchewan, Canada. Though the outbreak is local and will probably be confined to a relatively small area, United States imports are prohibited from any country where the disease is known to exist.

The embargo, as long as it is in effect, will end imports of cattle and calves from Canada. About 200,000 head were brought in last year. Moreover, few cattle from any source will now enter the United States. None have come in from Mexico since the Mexican border was closed at the end of 1946.

The United States imported about 80 million pounds of fresh beef and veal from Canada in 1951, and smaller quantities of fresh pork and lamb. None will enter now. Imports of canned beef from Argentina and other South American countries and of cured beef from Mexico will continue, as will the relatively small imports of other meats from various supplying countries.

Canada could legally replace its fresh beef export to the United States by export of canned, corned, pickled or cured beef, but production facilities are probably limited. Furthermore, there had previously been little likelihood that imports of cattle and of beef from Canada in 1952 would equal those of 1951 because Canadian needs are increasing.

Digest of OPS and NPA Regulations Affecting Meat and Meat Animals

This list of regulations supplements those appearing in earlier issues of the Livestock and Meat Situation. These lists are compiled for the reference value they may have now and as a historical source in the future. Questions regarding the specific application of the regulations should be referred to the Agency administering them.

Regulations issued by the Office of Price Stabilization, Economic Stabilization Agency

Regulation	Principal provisions
General Ceiling Price Regulation Supplementary Regulation 61 Amendment 1 Issued January 14, 1952 Effective January 19, 1952	Puts specialty steaks under SR 61, changes the filing requirements, and makes other miscellaneous changes for processed beef.
General Ceiling Price Regulation Supplementary Regulation 65 Amendment 1 Issued February 1, 1952 Effective February 6, 1952	Makes a number of minor changes in the technical provisions of the retail pork ceiling price regulation.
Ceiling Price Regulation 2 Revision 2 Issued December 14, 1951 Effective December 19, 1951	Fixes ceiling prices and maximum brokerage commissions for all sales of untanned domestic cattlehides, kips, and calfskins, including cut parts suitable for making leather. Prices are generally below those of CPR 2, Rev. 1.
Ceiling Price Regulation 22 Amendment 39 Issued January 4, 1952 Effective January 4, 1952	Permits a manufacturer who has established a ceiling price under any OPS regulation to use that price pending the establishment of CPR 22 price. Simplifies filing requirements for some sellers.
Ceiling Price Regulation 22 Supplementary Regulation 15 Revision 1 Issued January 4, 1952 Effective January 9, 1952	Revokes the pricing method previously in effect under SR 15 and permits manufacturers to price under CPR 22. Extends the mandatory effective date insofar as it applies to canned meat and dry sausage to January 15, 1952.

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Regulation	Principal provisions
Ceiling Price Regulation 22 Supplementary Regulation 15 Revision 1, Amendment 1 Issued January 31, 1952 Effective January 31, 1952	Authorizes processors of sterile canned horsemeat to continue to determine ceiling prices under the GCPR, or to price under CPR 22 if they have already filed under that regulation.
Ceiling Price Regulation 24 Amendment 8 Issued January 31, 1952 Effective February 5, 1952	Permits a wholesaler of beef whose distribution unit is located in certain Southeastern States where freight rates were recently reduced to use the original rates in compiling ceiling prices. Does not change retail ceilings.
Ceiling Price Regulation 61 Amendment 2 Issued January 11, 1952 Effective January 16, 1952	Simplifies pricing and reporting requirements for the export trade. Permits exporters to use alternative methods in establishing ceiling prices.
Ceiling Price Regulation 61 Supplementary Regulation 1 Issued January 11, 1952 Effective January 16, 1952	Permits shippers for export to use the same percentage markup to each territory and possession that they used during the period June 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950.
Ceiling Price Regulation 73 Amendment 2 Issued January 25, 1952 Effective January 30, 1952	Adds live hogs and locally produced uninspected pork to the list of livestock and meat products on which dollars-and-cents ceilings have been established for the Virgin Islands.
Ceiling Price Regulation 92 Amendment 1 Issued February 5, 1952 Effective February 5, 1952	Suspends allocation provisions on lamb carcasses until the beginning of the first accounting period commencing after March 22.
Ceiling Price Regulation 101 Amendment 1 Issued February 1, 1952 Effective February 6, 1952	Authorizes sales of light veal carcasses, hide on, to retailers, Makes other minor changes.
Ceiling Price Regulation 124 Issued February 4, 1952 Effective February 4, 1952	Established dollars-and-cents ceilings for surgical catgut sutures for manufacturers and resellers.

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Regulation	Principal provisions
General Overriding Regulation 7 Amendment 8 Issued December 20, 1951 Effective December 26, 1951	Extends the exemption from price control of certain specialty food items to include importers, manufacturers, and processors.
General Overriding Regulation 24 Issued January 18, 1952 Effective January 18, 1952	Sets up the legal framework for a "community food pricing" system of ceiling prices.

Regulations issued by the National Production Authority,
Department of Commerce

M-62, as amended Dec. 29, 1951. Issued December 29, 1951 Effective January 1, 1952	Removes processing limitations on horsehides, and makes other minor changes.
M-35, Revocation Issued February 20, 1952 Effective February 29, 1952	Revokes M-35, as amended.
M-62, Revocation Issued February 20, 1952 Effective February 29, 1952	Revokes M-62, as amended.

Selected Price Statistics for Meat Animals 1/

Item	Unit	1951			1952	
		Year total or average	January	December	January	February
Cattle and calves						
Beef steers, slaughter 2/	Dollars per					
Chicago, Prime	100 pounds	38.11	38.38	36.71	36.78	37.07
Choice	do.	35.96	34.77	34.78	34.68	34.57
Good	do.	33.37	31.88	32.43	32.27	31.90
Commercial	do.	30.97	29.47	29.72	29.59	29.12
Utility	do.	28.31	27.32	26.62	26.72	26.46
All grades	do.	35.72	34.10	34.59	34.25	33.78
Omaha, all grades	do.	34.18	32.75	33.03	32.91	
Sioux City, all grades	do.	34.34	32.81	33.21	32.62	
Cows, Chicago 2/						
Commercial	do.	27.76	24.64	25.29	24.26	23.71
Utility	do.	24.48	23.03	22.55	21.96	21.65
Canner and Cutter	do.	20.93	20.17	19.64	19.04	18.98
Vealers, Choice and Prime, Chicago	do.	37.19	36.39	36.00	36.84	38.15
Stocker and feeder steers, Kansas City	do.	32.86	31.88	30.45	31.19	32.06
Price received by farmers						
Beef cattle	do.	3/28.90	27.00	27.50	27.20	27.60
Veal calves	do.	3/32.60	30.80	31.30	31.50	31.90
Hogs						
Barrows and gilts						
Chicago						
160-180 pounds	do.	20.68	20.86	18.32	17.60	16.82
180-200 pounds	do.	21.33	21.59	18.64	18.50	17.94
200-220 pounds	do.	21.45	21.55	18.57	18.42	18.02
220-240 pounds	do.	21.36	21.31	18.31	18.13	17.70
240-270 pounds	do.	21.12	20.87	17.96	17.58	17.20
270-300 pounds	do.	20.67	20.39	17.56	17.06	16.73
All weights	do.	20.74	20.79	18.17	17.79	
Seven markets 4/	do.	20.47	20.47	17.85	5/17.45	
Sows, Chicago	do.	18.43	17.59	15.24	15.08	
Price received by farmers	do.	20.20	20.00	17.60	17.40	17.20
Hog-corn price ratio 6/						
Chicago, barrows and gilts	do.	11.6	12.0	9.4	9.3	
Price received by farmers, all hogs	do.	12.5	13.0	10.4	10.4	10.4
Sheep and lambs						
Sheep						
Slaughter ewes, Good and Choice, Chicago	do.	17.58	19.74	14.69	14.84	14.81
Price received by farmers	do.	3/16.00	15.20	13.90	13.40	13.30
Lambs						
Slaughter, Choice and Prime, Chicago	do.	34.33	34.67	30.57	29.98	27.78
Feeding, Good and Choice, Omaha	do.	7/31.90	33.62	30.50	---	---
Price received by farmers	do.	3/31.20	30.00	28.50	28.20	26.80
All meat animals						
Index number price received by farmers (1910-14=100)		411	391	379	376	377
Meat						
Wholesale, Chicago	Dollars per					
Steer beef carcass, Choice, 500-600 pounds 2/	100 pounds	56.42	54.57	56.38	56.05	50.06
Lamb carcass, Choice, 30-40 pounds	do.	57.27	53.55	58.00	57.20 8/	52.19
Composite hog products, including lard						
72.84 pounds fresh	Dollars	22.88	22.61	19.81	19.90	18.88
Average per 100 pounds	do.	31.41	31.04	27.20	27.32	25.92
71.32 pounds fresh and cured	do.	25.94	25.95	23.09	22.94	21.82
Average per 100 pounds	do.	36.37	36.39	32.38	32.16	30.59
Retail, United States average	Cents					
Beef, Choice grade	per pound	85.7	83.2	88.9		
Lamb	do.	77.4	74.1	82.0		
Pork, including lard	do.	44.9	44.1	42.5		
Index number meat prices (BLS)						
Wholesale (1926=100)		274	262	266		
Retail (1935-39=100) 9/		274	265	275	274	

1/ Annual data for most series published in Statistical Appendix to this Situation, February 1951.
2/ Grade names as used beginning January 1951.
3/ Simple average of prices for 12 months.
4/ Chicago, St. Louis N. S. Y., Kansas City, Omaha, Sioux City, S. St. Joseph, and S. St. Paul.
5/ 8 markets combined including Indianapolis.
6/ Number bushels of corn equivalent in value to 100 pounds of live hogs.
7/ Average of prices for January, August, September, October, November, and December.
8/ Price of 40-50 lb-Lamb carcass
9/ Index of retail meat prices, new weights.

Selected marketing, slaughter and stocks statistics for meat animals and meats 1/

Item	Unit	1951			1952	
		Year total or average	January	December	January	February
Meat animal marketings						
Index number (1935-39=100)		151	171	160	172	
Stocker and feeder shipments to 8 Corn Belt States	1,000					
Cattle and calves	head	3,356	183	200	133	
Sheep and lambs	do.	3,509	110	119	123	
Slaughter under Federal inspection						
Number slaughtered						
Cattle	do.	11,879	1,160	998	1,096	
Calves	do.	4,985	433	344	382	
Sheep and lambs	do.	10,056	1,058	810	1,042	
Hogs	do.	62,054	6,584	6,912	6,835	
Percentage sows	Percent					
Average live weight per head						
Cattle	Pounds	992	1,022	1,008	1,019	
Calves	do.	209	193	204	201	
Sheep and lambs	do.	98	100	100	102	
Hogs	do.	246	250	241	246	
Average production						
Beef, per head	do.	544	556	551	563	
Veal, per head	do.	118	105	114	113	
Lamb and mutton, per head	do.	47	48	47	49	
Pork, per head 2/	do.	136	136	131	137	
Pork, per 100 pounds live weight 2/	do.	55	55	54	56	
Lard, per head	do.	36	38	36	36	
Lard, per 100 pounds live weight	do.	15	15	15	15	
Total production	Million					
Beef	pounds	6,431	642	547	614	
Veal	do.	583	45	39	43	
Lamb and mutton	do.	465	50	38	51	
Pork 2/	do.	8,407	896	906	932	
Lard	do.	2,225	249	246	248	
Total commercial slaughter 3/						
Number slaughtered	1,000					
Cattle	head	16,380	1,580	1,324	1,509	
Calves	do.	8,417	759	602	681	
Sheep and lambs	do.	11,028	1,132	880	1,127	
Hogs	do.	74,551	7,884	8,126	8,277	
Total production	Million					
Beef	pounds	8,554	842	700	811	
Veal	do.	972	81	68	75	
Lamb and mutton	do.	504	53	41	54	
Pork 2/	do.	10,001	1,065	1,057	1,113	
Lard	do.	2,531	281	277	283	
Cold storage stocks first of month						
Beef	do.	---	147	182	218	235
Veal	do.	---	14	16	17	16
Lamb and mutton	do.	---	10	13	14	14
Pork	do.	---	499	382	549	697
Total meat and meat products 4/	do.	---	770	688	912	1,081

1/ Annual data for most series published in Statistical Appendix to this Situation, February 1951.

2/ Excludes lard.

3/ Federally inspected, and other wholesale and retail.

4/ Includes stocks of sausage and sausage room products, canned meats and canned meat products, and edible offals, in addition to the four meats listed.

STATISTICAL APPENDIX

The following section is an appendix of data on meat animals similar to that given in this Situation each February since 1949. A few of the tables have been reduced in length, with references in footnotes to sources of data for years earlier than those shown. In some tables for which revised data will be made available later in the year, that fact is stated in footnotes.

The two pages of statistics in each issue of this Situation, together with occasional additions or revisions given in special sections of the text, can be used to keep this appendix to date.

Tables of this appendix having no credit line present data from the Crop Reporting Board, the Division of Livestock and Poultry Statistics, or the Division of Statistical and Historical Research of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Several tables, as credited, were taken or compiled from Market News, Livestock Branch, Production and Marketing Administration. Indexes of wholesale and retail prices of meat are from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, and population and certain foreign trade data are from the Bureau of the Census.

More complete compilations of statistics of livestock and meats may be obtained by referring to Agricultural Statistics (USDA), Livestock Market News Statistics and Related Data (PMA) or annual issues of Crops and Markets (BAE), and to the regularly scheduled livestock reports released during the year by the BAE.

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Table A-1.- Number of livestock on farms January 1, by regions, average 1937-41, annual 1945 to date

Year	North Atlantic	North Central		South Atlantic	South Central	Western	United States
		East	West				
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
	All cattle and calves						
1937-41 av.	4,927	11,476	19,034	4,521	16,407	11,122	67,488
1945	5,366	13,513	25,746	5,603	21,190	14,155	85,573
1946	5,171	13,061	24,000	5,478	20,559	13,966	82,235
1947	5,155	13,067	23,439	5,457	19,913	13,523	80,554
1948	5,113	12,472	22,057	5,364	18,831	13,334	77,171
1949	5,140	12,327	22,448	5,243	18,185	13,487	76,830
1950	5,173	12,598	22,587	5,489	18,901	13,215	77,963
1951	5,174	12,910	23,690	5,878	20,396	13,977	82,025
1952 1/	5,387	13,521	26,063	6,404	21,477	15,210	88,062
	Milk cows						
1937-41 av.	3,199	6,010	6,483	1,873	5,019	2,238	24,822
1945	3,457	6,854	7,002	2,102	5,806	2,549	27,770
1946	3,364	6,696	6,486	2,078	5,454	2,443	26,521
1947	3,340	6,585	6,257	2,039	5,227	2,394	25,842
1948	3,275	6,314	5,825	2,013	4,908	2,280	24,615
1949	3,277	6,123	5,612	1,982	4,655	2,213	23,862
1950	3,280	6,078	5,542	2,009	4,752	2,192	23,853
1951	3,232	6,034	5,474	2,039	4,794	2,149	23,722
1952 1/	3,244	5,976	5,319	2,039	4,676	2,153	23,407
	Other cows						
1937-41 av.	31	397	2,431	589	3,633	3,488	10,569
1945	56	687	4,291	1,010	5,800	4,612	16,456
1946	55	625	4,188	1,027	5,884	4,629	16,408
1947	53	674	4,335	1,074	5,836	4,516	16,488
1948	56	647	4,167	1,067	5,647	4,426	16,010
1949	54	651	4,236	1,001	5,512	4,465	15,919
1950	55	713	4,478	1,123	5,782	4,592	16,743
1951	58	782	4,883	1,256	6,483	4,934	18,396
1952 1/	79	920	5,754	1,424	7,069	5,362	20,608
	Total milk animals 2/						
1937-41 av.	4,504	3,647	9,277	2,701	7,335	3,350	35,814
1945	4,903	9,979	10,352	3,084	8,622	3,909	40,849
1946	4,722	9,654	9,499	2,996	7,965	3,713	38,549
1947	4,708	9,562	9,157	2,970	7,653	3,633	37,683
1948	4,679	9,247	8,598	2,938	7,215	3,492	36,169
1949	4,701	9,041	8,323	2,902	6,899	3,404	35,270
1950	4,744	9,075	8,265	2,975	7,014	3,382	35,455
1951	4,731	9,097	8,222	3,059	7,141	3,356	35,606
1952 1/	4,853	9,158	8,125	3,172	7,149	3,413	35,870
	Total animals other than for milk 3/						
1937-41 av.	424	2,829	9,757	1,819	9,072	7,772	31,674
1945	463	3,534	15,394	2,519	12,568	10,246	44,724
1946	449	3,407	14,501	2,482	12,594	10,253	43,686
1947	447	3,505	14,282	2,487	12,260	9,890	42,871
1948	434	3,225	13,459	2,426	11,616	9,842	41,002
1949	439	3,286	14,125	2,341	11,286	10,083	41,560
1950	429	3,523	14,322	2,514	11,887	9,833	42,508
1951	443	3,813	15,468	3,944	13,255	10,621	46,419
1952 1/	534	4,363	17,938	3,232	14,328	11,797	52,192

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Table A-1.- Number of livestock on farms January 1, by regions, average 1937-41, annual 1945 to date, continued

Year	North Atlantic	North Central		South Atlantic	South Central	Western	United States
		East	West				
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
			Hogs				
1937-41 av.	1,339	13,639	18,681	5,079	9,427	2,462	50,628
1945	1,561	15,420	24,048	5,738	10,112	2,494	59,373
1946	1,380	16,491	26,627	5,082	9,486	2,240	61,306
1947	1,300	15,566	23,561	5,335	9,135	1,913	56,810
1948	1,305	14,842	21,952	5,530	9,030	1,931	54,590
1949	1,322	15,153	23,410	5,372	8,945	2,055	56,257
1950	1,271	16,297	24,809	5,391	9,095	1,989	58,852
1951	1,245	17,594	27,534	5,513	9,121	1,845	62,852
1952 1/	1,273	18,035	28,342	5,772	8,503	1,978	63,903
			All sheep and lambs				
1937-41 av.	871	5,755	8,707	1,078	11,690	23,757	51,857
1945	660	4,297	9,891	809	11,650	19,213	46,520
1946	587	3,992	8,590	770	11,039	17,384	42,362
1947	524	3,507	7,690	737	9,957	15,083	37,498
1948	476	3,323	6,268	694	8,966	14,610	34,337
1949	446	2,959	5,623	677	7,734	13,504	30,943
1950	423	2,835	5,373	674	7,851	12,670	29,826
1951	430	2,839	5,583	705	8,180	12,898	30,635
1952 1/	460	3,148	6,180	744	7,515	13,678	31,725
			Stock sheep and lambs				
1937-41 av.	824	4,530	6,620	1,078	11,410	21,416	45,879
1945	624	3,347	6,322	809	11,390	17,117	39,609
1946	550	2,959	5,240	770	10,804	15,202	35,525
1947	489	2,686	4,718	737	9,672	13,503	31,805
1948	451	2,483	4,185	694	8,841	12,832	29,486
1949	421	2,262	3,800	677	7,599	12,181	26,940
1950	403	2,212	3,672	674	7,693	11,528	26,182
1951	411	2,298	3,966	705	8,025	11,848	27,253
1952 1/	439	2,532	4,455	744	7,373	12,298	27,841
			Horses				
1937-41 av.	748	2,308	3,655	512	1,917	1,581	10,721
1945	582	1,561	2,929	525	1,771	1,347	8,715
1946	549	1,392	2,652	520	1,714	1,254	8,081
1947	508	1,217	2,301	512	1,639	1,163	7,340
1948	459	1,062	2,043	499	1,566	1,075	6,704
1949	409	922	1,812	475	1,484	994	6,096
1950	355	800	1,594	454	1,410	935	5,548
1951	312	698	1,391	424	1,303	865	4,993
1952 1/	266	588	1,163	389	1,169	795	4,370
			All work stock 4/				
1937-41 av.	805	2,500	4,063	1,499	4,346	1,672	14,884
1945	615	1,665	3,199	1,414	3,653	1,404	11,950
1946	579	1,477	2,890	1,385	3,471	1,306	11,108
1947	535	1,285	2,488	1,345	3,266	1,210	10,129
1948	482	1,120	2,190	1,303	3,067	1,117	9,279
1949	428	971	1,934	1,246	2,887	1,032	8,498
1950	371	843	1,697	1,190	2,711	969	7,781
1951	326	736	1,470	1,124	2,515	896	7,067
1952 1/	279	621	1,232	1,043	2,292	826	6,293

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Milk cows, and heifers and heifer calves kept for milk cows. 3/ Other cows, heifers and calves, and all steers and bulls. Most of the cattle on feed January 1 are included in this category. 4/ Horses and mules.

Table A-2.- Number of cattle on farms and ranches January 1, by classes, 1932-52

Year	For milk				Not for milk						All cattle
	Cows and heifers, 2 years old and over	Heifers, 1 to 2 years old	Heifer calves	Total	Cows and heifers, 2 years old and over	Heifers, 1 to 2 years old	Calves	Steers	Bulls	Total	
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
1932	24,896	5,020	5,449	35,365	10,439	3,113	9,744	5,560	1,580	30,436	65,801
1933	25,936	5,250	5,674	36,860	11,346	3,414	11,241	5,765	1,654	33,420	70,280
1934	26,931	5,382	5,675	37,988	12,678	3,656	12,226	6,069	1,752	36,381	74,369
1935	26,082	4,995	5,280	36,357	11,151	3,362	10,980	5,323	1,673	32,489	68,846
1936	25,196	4,772	5,484	35,452	11,048	3.493	10,574	5,637	1,643	32,395	67,847
1937	24,649	4,899	5,305	34,853	10,682	3,229	10,395	5,325	1,614	31,245	66,098
1938	24,466	4,808	5,500	34,774	10,132	3,136	10,053	5,555	1,599	30,475	65,249
1939	24,600	5,122	5,904	35,626	9,987	3,058	10,572	5,192	1,594	30,403	66,029
1940	24,940	5,525	5,967	36,432	10,676	3,357	10,936	5,283	1,625	31,877	68,309
1941	25,453	5,676	6,254	37,383	11,366	3,789	11,413	6,119	1,685	34,372	71,755
1942	26,313	5,889	6,635	38,837	12,578	4,055	12,219	6,596	1,740	37,188	76,025
1943	27,138	6,067	7,035	40,240	13,980	4,547	13,239	7,361	1,837	40,964	81,204
1944	27,704	6,352	7,201	41,257	15,521	4,971	13,768	7,849	1,968	44,077	85,334
1945	27,770	6,307	6,772	40,849	16,456	5,069	12,871	8,329	1,999	44,724	85,573
1946	26,521	5,758	6,270	38,549	16,408	4,859	12,810	7,727	1,882	43,686	82,235
1947	25,842	5,524	6,317	37,683	16,488	4,636	12,804	7,109	1,834	42,871	80,554
1948	24,615	5,550	6.004	36,169	16,010	4,518	12,046	6,672	1,756	41,002	77,171
1949	23,862	5,327	6,081	35,270	15,919	4,657	12,033	7,270	1,681	41,560	76,830
1950	23,853	5,394	6,208	35,455	16,743	4,754	12,516	6,805	1,690	42,508	77,963
1951	23,722	5,510	6,374	35,606	18,396	5,082	14,265	6,987	1,689	46,419	82,025
1952 1/	23,407	5,726	6,737	35,870	20,608	5,890	15,541	8,373	1,780	52,192	88,062

1/ Preliminary.

Table A-3.- Number of cattle and calves, and sheep and lambs, on feed January 1, by regions, 1936 to date

Year	Pennsylvania	North Central States: East North Central	North Central States: West North Central: 3 Corn Belt 1/	North Central States: West North Central: 4 Plains 2/	Texas and Oklahoma	Western States: California	Western States: Other Western	United States
	Cattle and calves							
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
1936	84	750	1,130	640	145	100	353	3,202
1937	84	740	947	333	125	138	392	2,759
1938	92	840	1,199	452	192	152	409	3,336
1939	78	855	1,166	530	194	125	355	3,303
1940	74	944	1,330	522	194	163	406	3,633
1941	72	1,002	1,509	639	230	169	444	4,065
1942	70	961	1,521	772	251	128	482	4,185
1943	80	993	1,612	928	264	154	414	4,445
1944	75	905	1,517	802	172	134	410	4,015
1945	70	907	1,642	1,020	210	125	437	4,411
1946	82	888	1,500	948	166	149	478	4,211
1947	90	961	1,552	904	171	166	478	4,322
1948	85	850	1,250	744	165	209	518	3,821
1949	88	939	1,501	965	214	258	575	4,540
1950	88	976	1,564	909	216	196	514	4,463
1951	90	967	1,549	936	239	248	569	4,598
1952 3/	104	1,029	1,597	1,050	251	398	665	5,094

Year	11 Corn Belt States 4/: East	11 Corn Belt States 4/: West	Western States 5/	New York	United States
	Sheep and lambs				
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
1936	1,177	2,085	2,389	50	5,701
1937	1,203	1,590	2,754	50	5,597
1938	1,368	1,913	2,765	45	6,091
1939	1,194	2,007	2,639	45	5,885
1940	1,172	1,987	2,642	40	5,841
1941	1,186	2,492	2,744	54	6,479
1942	1,083	2,761	2,978	45	6,867
1943	1,049	3,260	2,596	49	6,954
1944	1,031	2,931	2,506	44	6,512
1945	950	3,404	2,521	36	6,911
1946	1,033	3,182	2,585	37	6,837
1947	821	2,872	1,965	35	5,693
1948	840	2,003	1,983	25	4,851
1949	697	1,771	1,510	25	4,003
1950	623	1,649	1,352	20	3,644
1951	541	1,571	1,251	19	3,382
1952 3/	616	1,657	1,590	21	3,884

1/ Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri.
2/ North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas.
3/ Preliminary.
4/ North Central States, except North Dakota.
5/ Eight mountain States, three Pacific States, Texas, Oklahoma, and North Dakota.

Table A-4.- Number of sows farrowing and pigs saved, by spring and fall crops, and number of calves born and lambs saved, 1932 to date

Year	Sows farrowing			Pigs per litter		Pigs saved			Calves born 3/	Lambs saved 3/
	Spring 1/	Fall 2/	Total	Spring 1/	Fall 2/	Spring 1/	Fall 2/	Total		
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Number	Number	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
1932	8,810	5,179	13,989	5.79	6.08	51,031	31,494	82,525	27,568	29,986
1933	9,122	5,207	14,329	5.86	5.90	53,460	30,740	84,200	28,935	29,768
1934	6,825	2,936	9,761	5.82	5.81	39,698	17,068	56,766	30,240	30,433
1935	5,467	3,857	9,324	6.01	6.03	32,884	23,260	56,144	27,473	27,813
1936	6,954	3,957	10,911	5.96	6.14	41,422	24,303	65,725	28,201	29,762
1937	6,177	3,845	10,022	6.23	6.24	38,525	23,994	62,519	28,033	29,170
1938	6,795	4,517	11,312	6.36	6.32	43,289	28,566	71,855	27,787	30,420
1939	8,692	5,352	14,044	6.12	6.30	53,238	33,714	86,952	28,879	29,913
1940	8,247	4,763	13,010	6.01	6.36	49,584	30,282	79,866	29,886	31,082
1941	7,760	5,535	13,295	6.36	6.43	49,368	35,584	84,952	31,868	32,610
1942	9,684	6,840	16,524	6.31	6.40	61,093	43,810	104,903	34,388	32,312
1943	12,174	7,565	19,739	6.10	6.29	74,223	47,584	121,807	34,797	30,924
1944	9,246	4,882	14,128	6.03	6.33	55,754	30,905	86,659	37,040	28,642
1945	8,302	5,429	13,731	6.29	6.38	52,216	34,611	86,827	35,176	27,042
1946	8,077	4,704	12,781	6.46	6.49	52,191	30,503	82,694	34,550	24,540
1947	8,548	4,866	13,414	6.11	6.39	52,199	31,090	83,289	35,234	22,082
1948	7,833	5,070	12,903	6.44	6.58	50,468	33,358	83,826	33,708	20,011
1949	8,820	5,568	14,388	6.46	6.52	56,969	36,275	93,244	34,464	18,810
1950	9,174	5,923	15,097	6.31	6.65	57,935	39,404	97,339	35,120	18,522
1951	9,581	6,089	15,670	6.47	6.60	61,957	40,182	102,139	---	18,761
1952	4/8,794	---	---	5/6.45		5/56,500	---	---		

1/ In six months beginning December of preceding year.

2/ In six months beginning June.

3/ Data for recent years to be revised about June, 1952.

4/ As indicated by breeding intentions reports in December 1951.

5/ Average number pigs per litter with allowance for trend used to compute indicated number of 1952 spring pigs. Number pigs rounded to nearest 500,000 head.

Table A-5.- Number of stocker and feeder cattle and calves and sheep and lambs received in eight Corn Belt States, by months 1942 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year 1/
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
						Cattle and calves							
1942	123	79	103	154	115	99	91	222	387	579	391	223	2,564
1943	104	85	138	142	99	81	64	160	400	546	382	162	2,363
1944	92	71	73	84	74	106	105	236	367	525	376	170	2,280
1945	113	72	114	129	103	117	104	203	339	669	404	187	2,555
1946	97	97	91	109	106	141	176	323	388	730	445	233	2,935
1947	154	98	161	131	100	120	157	198	395	621	321	145	2,601
1948	103	59	54	82	117	134	138	221	390	606	461	195	2,559
1949	94	72	126	100	92	140	164	384	586	869	432	198	3,258
1950	133	112	141	128	130	160	152	239	447	763	485	251	3,142
1951	183	121	131	151	124	111	173	293	515	893	460	200	3,355
						Sheep and lambs							
1942	147	91	105	159	206	153	172	488	789	1,002	465	202	3,980
1943	178	191	221	139	194	151	129	432	927	979	588	141	4,270
1944	129	99	94	66	118	90	103	382	770	924	420	152	3,345
1945	132	77	107	87	97	52	100	354	932	1,072	315	129	3,454
1946	102	154	90	67	56	76	98	338	865	941	304	121	3,212
1947	171	198	133	136	128	134	166	283	556	677	393	131	3,107
1948	81	64	65	69	106	149	61	229	495	548	367	133	2,369
1949	151	74	61	63	163	138	144	335	534	572	212	71	2,518
1950	115	112	101	98	157	166	153	355	576	591	238	252	2,915
1951	110	119	93	157	258	164	168	492	703	822	305	119	3,509

1/ Monthly data may not add exactly to annual total because of rounding.

Table A-6.--Meat production and consumption in the United States, 1899-1951 1/

Year	Beef			Veal			Lamb and mutton			Pork (excluding lard)			All meats			Lard			Population July 1 1/
	Production	Consumption		Production	Consumption		Production	Consumption		Production	Consumption		Production	Consumption		Production	Consumption 2/		
		Total	Per capita		Total	Per capita		Total	Per capita		Total	Per capita		Total	Per capita		Total	Per capita	
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Lb.	Mil.
1899....	5,522	5,029	67.2	387	387	5.2	487	486	6.5	6,310	5,371	71.8	12,706	11,273	150.7	1,679	954	12.8	74.8
1900....	5,628	5,104	67.1	397	397	5.2	493	492	6.5	6,329	5,476	71.9	12,847	11,469	150.7	1,653	1,002	13.2	76.1
1901....	5,814	5,266	67.9	422	422	5.4	548	548	7.0	6,357	5,493	70.8	13,141	11,729	151.1	1,650	997	12.8	77.6
1902....	5,649	5,148	65.0	476	476	6.0	564	560	7.1	5,936	5,288	66.7	12,625	11,472	144.8	1,493	956	12.1	79.2
1903....	6,240	5,711	70.9	492	492	6.1	563	560	6.9	6,067	5,498	68.2	13,362	12,261	152.1	1,529	952	11.8	80.6
1904....	6,176	5,719	69.6	491	491	6.0	538	537	6.5	6,387	5,803	70.6	13,592	12,550	152.7	1,638	1,031	12.5	82.2
1905....	6,504	5,973	71.3	556	556	6.6	530	529	6.3	6,629	5,945	71.0	14,219	13,003	155.2	1,742	991	11.8	83.8
1906....	6,537	6,087	71.3	598	598	7.0	543	542	6.3	6,793	6,065	71.0	14,471	13,292	155.6	1,735	1,002	11.7	85.4
1907....	6,544	6,141	70.6	626	626	7.2	553	551	6.3	7,059	6,443	74.1	14,782	13,761	158.2	1,790	1,146	13.2	87.0
1908....	6,662	6,393	72.1	637	637	7.2	559	557	6.3	7,535	6,898	77.7	15,393	14,485	163.3	1,911	1,277	14.4	88.7
1909....	6,915	6,713	73.5	660	660	7.2	608	606	6.7	6,557	6,065	66.4	14,740	14,044	153.8	1,628	1,127	12.3	91.3
1910....	6,647	6,508	69.8	667	667	7.1	597	596	6.4	6,087	5,756	61.8	13,998	13,527	145.1	1,553	1,156	12.4	93.2
1911....	6,549	6,426	67.9	666	666	7.0	693	690	7.3	6,961	6,482	68.4	14,869	14,264	150.6	1,747	1,138	12.0	94.7
1912....	6,234	6,153	64.0	662	662	6.9	735	729	7.6	6,822	6,357	66.2	14,453	13,901	144.7	1,658	1,102	11.5	96.1
1913....	6,182	6,157	62.8	608	609	6.2	706	701	7.2	6,979	6,501	66.3	14,475	13,963	142.5	1,653	1,073	10.9	98.0
1914....	6,017	6,144	61.5	569	572	5.7	693	708	7.1	6,824	6,453	64.6	14,103	13,877	138.9	1,554	1,090	10.9	99.9
1915....	6,075	5,668	56.0	590	591	5.8	605	612	6.0	7,616	6,690	66.1	14,886	13,561	133.9	1,689	1,198	11.8	101.3
1916....	6,460	6,003	58.4	655	656	6.4	585	595	5.8	8,207	7,037	68.4	15,907	14,291	139.0	1,706	1,228	11.9	102.8
1917....	7,239	6,687	64.2	744	745	7.1	463	463	4.4	7,055	6,093	58.5	15,501	13,988	134.2	1,451	1,091	10.5	104.2
1918....	7,726	7,167	68.0	760	761	7.2	506	499	4.7	8,349	6,384	60.6	17,341	14,811	140.5	1,899	1,291	12.2	105.4
1919....	6,756	6,462	61.0	819	824	7.8	590	598	5.6	8,477	6,712	63.4	16,642	14,596	137.8	1,920	1,174	11.1	105.9
1920....	6,306	6,293	58.6	842	852	7.9	538	578	5.4	7,648	6,766	63.1	15,334	14,489	135.0	1,958	1,319	12.3	107.3
1921....	6,022	6,024	55.1	820	824	7.5	639	662	6.1	7,697	7,029	64.3	15,178	14,539	133.0	2,108	1,217	11.1	109.3
1922....	6,588	6,503	58.6	852	858	7.7	553	565	5.1	8,145	7,236	65.3	16,138	15,162	136.7	2,302	1,503	13.6	110.9
1923....	6,721	6,671	59.2	916	919	8.1	588	592	5.3	9,483	8,310	73.7	17,708	16,492	146.3	2,718	1,643	14.6	112.7
1924....	6,877	6,786	59.1	972	977	8.5	597	596	5.2	9,149	8,451	73.5	17,595	16,810	146.3	2,660	1,663	14.5	114.9
1925....	6,878	6,888	59.1	989	993	8.5	603	605	5.2	8,128	7,734	66.3	16,598	16,220	139.1	2,153	1,453	12.5	116.6
1926....	7,089	7,074	59.8	955	959	8.1	639	637	5.4	7,966	7,529	63.7	16,649	16,199	137.0	2,206	1,465	12.4	118.2
1927....	6,395	6,484	54.1	867	875	7.3	629	631	5.3	8,430	8,058	67.3	16,321	16,048	134.0	2,263	1,541	12.9	119.8
1928....	5,771	5,872	48.4	773	781	6.4	663	662	5.5	9,041	8,545	70.5	16,248	15,860	130.8	2,458	1,626	13.4	121.3
1929....	5,871	6,048	49.3	761	766	6.3	682	686	5.6	8,833	8,484	69.2	16,147	15,984	130.4	2,461	1,598	13.0	122.6
1930....	5,917	6,021	48.6	792	794	6.4	825	824	6.7	8,432	8,246	66.6	16,016	15,885	128.3	2,227	1,584	12.8	123.8
1931....	6,009	6,025	48.3	823	824	6.6	885	886	7.1	8,739	8,477	67.9	16,456	16,212	129.9	2,307	1,706	13.7	124.8
1932....	5,789	5,830	46.4	822	822	6.5	884	882	7.0	8,923	8,825	70.3	16,418	16,359	130.2	2,380	1,814	14.4	125.6
1933 3/..	6,440	6,469	51.2	891	891	7.1	852	849	6.7	9,234	8,885	70.3	17,417	17,094	135.3	2,475	1,772	14.0	126.3
1934 3/..	8,345	8,066	63.5	1,246	1,182	9.3	851	793	6.3	8,397	8,141	64.0	18,839	18,137	143.1	2,091	1,648	13.0	127.1
1935 3/..	6,608	6,770	52.9	1,023	1,087	8.5	877	923	7.2	5,919	6,155	48.1	14,427	14,935	116.7	1,276	1,226	9.6	128.0
1936 3/..	7,358	7,742	60.1	1,075	1,075	8.3	854	949	6.6	7,474	7,061	54.8	16,761	16,727	129.8	1,679	1,449	11.2	128.9
1937....	6,798	7,107	54.8	1,108	1,108	8.6	852	857	6.6	6,951	7,135	55.4	15,709	16,257	125.4	1,431	1,361	10.5	129.6
1938....	6,908	7,058	54.0	994	994	7.6	837	894	6.8	7,680	7,554	57.8	16,479	16,500	126.2	1,728	1,440	11.0	130.7
1939....	7,011	7,159	54.4	991	991	7.5	872	869	6.6	8,660	8,474	64.3	17,534	17,493	132.8	2,037	1,671	12.7	131.7
1940....	7,175	7,257	54.7	981	981	7.4	876	873	6.6	10,044	9,701	73.0	19,076	18,812	141.7	2,283	1,924	14.5	132.8
1941....	8,082	8,021	60.5	1,036	1,005	7.6	923	901	6.8	9,528	9,007	67.9	19,569	18,934	142.8	2,228	1,879	14.2	132.6
1942....	8,843	8,049	60.3	1,151	1,084	8.2	1,042	950	7.2	10,876	8,368	63.3	21,912	18,451	139.5	2,401	1,759	13.3	132.3
1943....	8,571	6,860	52.9	1,167	1,059	8.2	1,104	830	6.4	13,640	10,172	78.5	24,482	18,921	146.0	2,865	1,820	14.0	129.6
1944....	9,112	7,146	55.3	1,738	1,594	12.4	1,024	857	6.6	13,304	10,230	79.2	25,178	19,827	153.5	3,054	1,324	14.1	129.2
1945....	10,275	7,663	59.0	1,661	1,533	11.8	1,054	943	7.3	10,697	8,598	66.3	23,687	18,737	144.4	2,066	1,622	12.5	129.8
1946....	9,373	8,533	61.3	1,440	1,379	9.9	970	925	6.6	11,173	10,530	75.6	22,956	21,367	153.4	2,138	1,669	12.0	139.3
1947....	10,428	9,913	69.1	1,599	1,540	10.7	802	765	5.4	10,601	10,018	69.8	23,430	22,236	155.0	2,426	1,928	13.4	143.5
1948....	9,079	9,157	62.6	1,412	1,373	9.4	750	736	5.0	10,205	9,990	68.4	21,446	21,256	145.4	2,356	2,008	13.7	146.2
1949....	9,448	9,429	63.5	1,322	1,299	8.7	607	610	4.1	10,333	10,040	67.6	21,710	21,378	143.9	2,552	1,906	12.8	148.6
1950....	9,543	9.522	63.0	1,216	1,192	7.9	599	598	4.0	10.751	10,398	68.8	22,109	21,710	143.7	2,645	2,103	13.9	151.1
1951 4/	8,855	8.533	56.2	1,048	995	6.5	522	517	3.4	11,570	10,951	72.1	21,995	20,996	138.2	2,909	2,158	14.2	151.9

1/ Beginning 1909 population is adjusted for underenumeration of children under 5 years. Beginning 1940 data exclude meat produced in Hawaii and Virgin Islands. Beginning 1941 consumption is civilian only. Units are carcass weight equivalent; exclude edible offals.

2/ Computed from unrounded numbers. Includes lard entering into manufactured products.

3/ Includes production and consumption for Government emergency programs.

4/ Preliminary

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Table A-7.- Livestock slaughtered and meat and lard produced, by class of slaughter, United States, 1938 to date 1/

Year	Livestock slaughter					Meat production				
	Commercial			Farm	Total	Commercial			Farm	Total
	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total			Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total		
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds
	Cattle					Beef				
1938	9,776	4,477	14,253	569	14,822	4,798	1,887	6,685	223	6,908
1939	9,446	4,604	14,050	571	14,621	4,803	1,983	6,786	225	7,011
1940	9,743	4,644	14,387	571	14,958	4,964	1,984	6,948	227	7,175
1941	10,932	4,916	15,848	571	16,419	5,732	2,126	7,858	224	8,082
1942	12,340	5,047	17,387	646	18,033	6,343	2,249	8,592	251	8,843
1943	11,721	5,416	17,137	708	17,845	5,966	2,340	8,306	265	8,571
1944	13,955	5,035	18,990	854	19,844	6,652	2,149	8,801	311	9,112
1945	14,531	6.244	20,775	816	21,691	7,236	2,700	9,936	339	10,275
1946	11,402	7,479	18,881	943	19,824	5,661	3,349	9,010	363	9,373
1947	15,524	6,009	21,533	860	22,393	7,535	2,561	10,096	332	10,428
1948	12,994	5,392	18,366	800	19,186	6,433	2,333	8,766	313	9,079
1949	13,222	4,791	18,013	776	18,789	6,998	2,144	9,142	306	9,448
1950	13,103	4,798	17,901	741	18,642	7,051	2,197	9,248	295	9,543
1951	11,879	4,501	16,380			6,431	2,123	8,554	2/ 301	8,855
	Calves					Veal				
1938	5,492	3,089	8,581	725	9,306	581	332	913	81	994
1939	5,264	3,172	8,436	755	9,191	559	348	907	84	991
1940	5,358	3,003	8,361	728	9,089	568	328	896	85	981
1941	5,461	3,107	8,568	684	9,252	599	353	952	84	1,036
1942	5,760	3,317	9.077	641	9,718	667	399	1,066	85	1,151
1943	5,209	4,111	9,320	620	9,940	597	481	1,078	89	1,167
1944	7,769	5,749	13,518	724	14,242	926	703	1,629	109	1,738
1945	7,020	5,884	12,904	741	13,645	823	729	1,552	109	1,661
1946	5,841	5,569	11,410	758	12,168	642	687	1,329	111	1,440
1947	7,933	5,080	13,013	682	13,695	904	589	1,493	106	1,599
1948	6,907	4,860	11,767	561	12,328	791	532	1,323	89	1,412
1949	6,449	4,379	10,828	517	11,345	746	494	1,240	82	1,322
1950	5,580	4,123	9,973	462	10,435	667	470	1,137	79	1,216
1951	4,985	3,432	8,417			583	389	972	2/ 76	1,048
	Sheep and lambs					Lamb and mutton				
1938	18,060	3,753	21,813	610	22,423	720	151	871	26	897
1939	17,241	3,776	21,017	597	21,614	694	152	846	26	872
1940	17,349	3,651	21,000	571	21,571	702	150	852	24	876
1941	18,122	3,605	21,727	582	22,309	749	150	899	24	923
1942	21,624	3,383	25,007	578	25,585	879	139	1,018	24	1,042
1943	23,363	3,134	26,497	576	27,073	958	122	1,080	24	1,104
1944	21,875	2,918	24,793	562	25,355	887	114	1,001	23	1,024
1945	21,218	2,850	24,068	571	24,639	913	117	1,030	24	1,054
1946	19,884	2,350	22,234	580	22,814	850	96	946	24	970
1947	16,667	1,540	18,207	559	18,766	717	62	779	23	802
1948	15,343	1,554	16,897	542	17,439	665	63	728	22	750
1949	12,137	1,240	13,377	496	13,872	536	51	587	20	607
1950	11,739	1,113	12,852	442	13,294	534	47	581	18	599
1951	10.056	972	11,028			465	39	504	2/ 18	522
	Hogs					Pork excluding lard				
1938	36,186	9,416	45,602	13,325	58,927	4,834	1,111	5,995	1,685	7,680
1939	41,368	11,213	52,581	13,980	66,561	5,552	1,337	6,889	1,771	8,660
1940	50,398	13,057	63,455	14,155	77,610	6,614	1,632	8,246	1,798	10,044
1941	46,520	12,088	58,608	12,789	71,397	6,345	1,559	7,904	1,624	9,528
1942	53,897	12,117	66,014	12,533	78,547	7,562	1,672	9,234	1,642	10,876
1943	63,431	17,779	81,210	14,016	95,226	9,308	2,454	11,762	1.878	13,640
1944	69,017	15,500	84,517	13,551	98,068	9,456	2,046	11,502	1,802	13,304
1945	40,960	17,300	58,260	13,631	71,891	6,387	2,456	8,843	1,854	10,697
1946	44,394	18,000	62,394	13,850	76,244	6,642	2,592	9,234	1,939	11,173
1947	49,116	12,813	61,929	12,781	74,710	7,080	1,731	8,811	1,790	10,601
1948	47,615	12,054	59,669	12,267	71,936	6,832	1,654	8,486	1,719	10,205
1949	53,032	10,712	63,744	11,549	75,293	7,352	1,393	8,745	1,538	10,333
1950	56,964	11,540	68,504	10,984	79,488	7,788	1,477	9,265	1,486	10,751
1951	62,054	12,497	74,551			8,407	1,594	10,001	2/1,569	11,570
	Lard production 3/					All meat excluding lard				
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds					
1938	1,034				1,728	10,933	3,481	14,464	2,015	16,479
1939	1,272				2,037	11,608	3,820	15,428	2,106	17,534
1940	1,527				2,288	12,848	4,094	16,942	2,134	19,076
1941	1,526				2,228	13,425	4,183	17,613	1,956	19,569
1942	1,724				2,401	15,451	4,459	19,910	2,002	21,912
1943	2,080				2,865	16,829	5,397	22,226	2,256	24,482
1944	2,367				3,054	17,921	5,012	22,933	2,245	25,178
1945	1,311				2,066	15,359	6,002	21,361	2,326	23,687
1946	1,344				2,138	13,795	6,724	20,519	2,437	22,956
1947	1,722	277	1,899	427	2,426	16,236	4,943	21,179	2,251	23,430
1948	1,680	252	1,932	424	2,356	14,721	4,582	19,303	2,143	21,446
1949	1,923	247	2,170	382	2,552	15,632	4,082	19,714	1,996	21,710
1950	2,009	284	2,293	352	2,645	16,040	4,191	20,231	1,878	22,109
1951	2,225	306	2,531			15,886	4,145	20,031	2/ 1,964	21,995

1/ Beginning 1940, excludes slaughter and meat production under Federal inspection in Hawaii and the Virgin Islands.
2/ Preliminary estimate. 3/ Including rendered pork fat.

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Table A-8.- Livestock slaughtered and meat produced under Federal inspection and in other commercial establishments, United States, by months 1950 and 1951

Year and month	Cattle						Calves					
	Slaughter			Beef production			Slaughter			Veal production		
	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds
1950												
Jan.	1,103	411	1,514	592	188	780	465	337	802	50	37	87
Feb.	939	358	1,297	510	166	676	443	339	782	44	36	80
Mar.	1,081	404	1,485	589	186	775	586	405	991	56	40	96
Apr.	959	364	1,323	526	168	694	494	341	835	50	37	87
May	1,075	410	1,485	585	189	774	496	353	849	53	40	93
June	1,066	397	1,463	571	182	753	485	330	815	57	40	97
July	1,070	404	1,474	570	184	754	443	324	767	56	41	97
Aug.	1,184	432	1,616	632	197	829	484	354	838	65	43	108
Sept.	1,196	423	1,619	640	192	832	488	346	834	65	42	107
Oct.	1,169	419	1,588	623	191	814	515	356	871	64	41	105
Nov.	1,151	405	1,556	611	183	794	505	339	844	59	39	98
Dec.	1,110	371	1,481	602	171	773	446	299	745	48	34	82
Year	13,103	4,798	17,901	7,051	2,197	9,248	5,850	4,123	9,973	667	470	1,137
1951 1/												
Jan.	1,160	420	1,580	642	200	842	433	326	759	45	36	81
Feb.	887	334	1,221	490	160	650	375	279	654	37	29	66
Mar.	965	336	1,301	534	162	696	447	313	760	42	31	73
Apr.	894	333	1,227	499	159	658	406	272	678	39	28	67
May	986	342	1,328	552	164	716	414	258	672	43	28	71
June	787	324	1,111	435	156	591	406	240	646	49	29	78
July	920	367	1,287	503	173	676	408	257	665	54	32	86
Aug.	1,064	444	1,508	558	210	768	422	304	726	59	39	98
Sept.	956	418	1,374	502	196	698	373	293	666	51	36	87
Oct.	1,140	463	1,603	581	209	790	500	336	836	68	38	106
Nov.	1,122	394	1,516	588	181	769	457	296	753	57	34	91
Dec.	998	326	1,324	547	153	700	344	258	602	39	29	68
Year	11,879	4,501	16,380	6,431	2,123	8,554	4,985	3,432	8,417	583	389	972

Year and month	Sheep and Lambs						Hogs						All meat production excluding lard		
	Slaughter			Lamb and mutton production			Slaughter			Pork production excluding lard					
	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Other wholesale and retail	Total commercial
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
1950															
Jan.	1,077	93	1,170	51	4	55	5,844	1,177	7,021	804	150	954	1,497	379	1,876
Feb.	863	74	937	43	3	46	4,191	1,018	5,209	559	127	686	1,156	332	1,488
Mar.	939	81	1,020	46	3	49	5,020	1,049	6.069	661	131	792	1,352	360	1,712
Apr.	833	89	922	40	4	44	4,316	910	5,226	574	114	688	1,190	323	1,513
May	941	93	1,034	43	4	47	4,339	895	5,234	593	112	705	1,274	345	1,619
June	1,019	102	1,121	44	4	48	4,154	813	4,967	605	105	710	1,277	331	1,608
July	960	102	1,062	41	5	46	3,314	716	4,030	515	93	608	1,182	323	1,505
Aug.	1,076	117	1,193	47	5	52	3,626	816	4,442	520	105	625	1,264	350	1,614
Sept.	1,063	101	1,164	47	4	51	4,137	862	4,999	547	111	658	1,299	349	1,648
Oct.	1,081	99	1,180	47	4	51	5,102	1,004	6,106	665	132	797	1,399	368	1,767
Nov.	969	90	1,059	43	4	47	6,144	1,105	7,249	821	145	966	1,534	371	1,905
Dec.	918	72	990	42	3	45	6,777	1,175	7,952	924	152	1,076	1,616	360	1,976
Year	11,739	1,113	12,852	534	47	581	56,964	11,540	68,504	7,788	1,477	9,265	16,040	4,191	20,231
1951 1/															
Jan.	1,058	74	1,132	50	3	53	6,584	1,300	7,884	896	169	1.065	1,633	408	2,041
Feb.	740	50	790	36	2	38	4,159	1,063	5,222	571	133	704	1,134	324	1,458
Mar.	738	61	799	37	2	39	5,117	1,051	6,168	684	133	817	1,297	328	1,625
Apr.	657	63	720	33	2	35	4,989	976	5,965	672	123	795	1,243	312	1,555
May	657	65	722	31	3	34	4,952	927	5,879	665	117	782	1,291	312	1,603
June	811	74	885	36	3	39	4,700	871	5,571	673	113	786	1,193	301	1,494
July	863	85	948	38	4	42	3,826	765	4,591	577	99	676	1,172	308	1,480
Aug.	889	112	1,001	39	5	44	4,236	988	5,224	615	126	741	1,271	380	1,651
Sept.	827	111	938	37	4	41	4,398	970	5.368	579	122	701	1,169	358	1,527
Oct.	1,084	119	1,203	47	5	52	5,650	1,174	6,824	718	152	870	1,414	404	1,818
Nov.	922	88	1,010	43	3	46	6,531	1,198	7,729	851	156	1,007	1,539	374	1,913
Dec.	810	70	880	38	3	41	6,912	1,214	8,126	906	151	1,057	1,530	336	1,866
Year	10,056	972	11,028	465	39	504	62,054	12,497	74,551	8,407	1,594	10,001	15,886	4,145	20,031

1/ Preliminary.

Table A-9.- Average live weight and average production of meat and lard per head of livestock slaughtered under Federal inspection and in all commercial establishments, by months 1950 and 1951

Average live weight per head

Year and month	Cattle: Federally inspected	Cattle: Total commercial	Calves: Federally inspected	Calves: Total commercial	Sheep and lambs: Federally inspected	Sheep and lambs: Total commercial	Hogs: Federally inspected	Hogs: Total commercial
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1950								
January	993	958	196	196	100	100	247	242
February	1,000	964	181	185	104	103	239	234
March	995	960	170	173	103	102	234	231
April	991	956	181	186	100	99	238	234
May	985	953	193	198	95	95	245	240
June	974	945	209	213	90	90	264	258
July	973	942	226	225	91	91	278	269
August	974	943	241	232	93	93	259	252
September	983	949	241	231	93	93	233	230
October	988	954	225	218	93	93	230	228
November	998	963	214	214	95	94	237	235
December	1,017	983	200	202	97	96	245	241
Year	989	956	206	206	96	95	244	240
1951 1/								
January	1,022	988	193	195	100	100	250	245
February	1,017	984	176	179	103	103	245	239
March	1,007	977	162	167	105	104	240	236
April	1,004	974	169	174	104	103	242	237
May	997	969	183	188	100	99	244	240
June	978	952	209	212	93	93	261	255
July	978	950	233	230	93	93	276	267
August	962	938	250	240	95	94	262	253
September	970	941	247	236	95	94	236	232
October	973	942	246	230	96	95	231	229
November	990	961	231	221	100	99	236	233
December	1,008	978	204	207	100	99	241	237
Year	992	962	209	207	98	97	246	241

Average production of meat and lard per head

Year and month	Beef: Federally inspected	Beef: Total commercial	Veal: Federally inspected	Veal: Total commercial	Lamb and mutton: Federally inspected	Lamb and mutton: Total commercial	Pork: Federally inspected	Pork: Total commercial	Lard: Federally inspected	Lard: Total commercial
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1950										
January	539.3	515.2	109.1	108.4	47.8	47.0	137.9	135.9	37.0	34.8
February	546.0	521.1	100.9	102.4	49.3	49.1	133.7	131.7	35.2	33.0
March	547.3	521.9	95.5	96.9	49.1	48.0	132.8	130.5	33.5	32.3
April	551.0	524.6	101.9	104.3	48.1	47.7	133.3	131.6	35.1	33.3
May	546.6	521.0	108.5	109.5	46.1	45.5	137.0	134.7	36.0	34.2
June	538.9	514.7	117.3	119.0	43.0	42.8	146.0	143.0	39.5	37.5
July	535.4	511.5	126.7	126.5	43.5	43.3	155.8	150.9	40.4	38.0
August	536.0	513.2	134.5	128.8	44.1	43.6	143.6	140.7	37.5	35.1
September	537.5	513.9	133.3	128.3	44.2	43.8	132.6	131.6	31.8	30.4
October	535.3	512.7	124.3	120.5	44.1	43.2	130.7	130.5	31.8	30.5
November	533.7	510.2	117.0	116.2	44.9	44.4	133.9	132.4	32.8	31.3
December	546.1	522.1	109.4	110.1	45.9	45.5	136.6	135.3	35.8	33.8
Year	540.8	516.6	114.7	114.0	45.7	45.2	137.0	135.2	35.4	33.5
1951 1/										
January	556.0	533.0	105.2	106.7	47.6	46.8	136.4	135.1	38.0	35.6
February	555.3	532.4	99.6	101.0	49.1	48.1	137.5	134.8	35.3	32.7
March	557.0	535.0	93.5	96.0	49.7	48.8	134.0	132.5	34.4	32.6
April	560.3	536.1	97.2	98.9	49.9	48.6	135.0	133.3	34.8	32.9
May	563.2	539.1	104.5	105.7	48.2	47.1	134.7	133.0	36.4	34.7
June	555.7	532.2	120.5	120.7	44.6	44.0	143.5	141.1	39.0	36.8
July	549.5	525.4	132.6	129.2	44.4	44.3	151.2	147.3	41.2	38.6
August	527.0	509.2	140.5	135.0	44.6	43.9	145.5	141.8	37.6	34.8
September	527.8	507.7	137.7	130.7	44.7	43.7	132.0	130.6	34.1	32.4
October	512.8	493.0	136.4	126.8	44.2	43.2	127.4	127.5	32.7	31.1
November	527.6	507.2	126.0	120.9	46.8	45.5	130.5	130.3	33.9	32.5
Decumber	551.2	528.6	113.5	112.9	47.1	46.6	131.3	130.1	35.7	34.1
Year	544.3	522.8	117.6	115.5	46.6	45.7	135.8	134.1	35.9	33.9

1/ Preliminary.

Table A-10.- Meat and lard produced per 100 pounds live weight of livestock slaughtered under Federal inspection and in all commercial establishments, by months, 1947-51. 1/

Year and month	Beef		Veal		Lamb and mutton		Pork 2/		Lard 2/	
	Federally inspected	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Total commercial	Federally inspected	Total commercial
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
1947										
January	52.6	52.3	55.2	54.8	46.1	45.9	55.7	56.6	14.8	13.8
February	53.7	53.2	56.0	55.5	45.9	45.8	56.7	57.2	14.2	13.4
March	53.8	53.3	56.2	55.7	46.1	45.9	56.3	57.0	14.4	13.5
April	54.6	53.9	56.5	56.1	46.1	45.9	56.8	57.4	14.0	13.1
May	54.7	54.0	55.9	55.7	46.9	46.6	56.4	56.7	14.5	13.9
June	53.9	53.3	55.5	55.4	47.5	47.3	55.9	56.3	14.7	14.0
July	53.2	52.8	55.6	55.5	47.3	47.1	55.5	56.0	14.9	14.2
August	52.1	51.8	54.6	54.7	46.4	46.2	56.8	57.3	14.0	13.2
September	51.5	51.3	54.9	55.0	46.5	46.2	57.5	58.2	12.9	12.1
October	50.6	50.5	54.3	54.3	45.3	45.0	58.6	59.2	12.1	11.4
November	50.3	50.1	53.3	53.5	45.2	45.0	59.1	59.5	12.0	11.4
December	51.2	51.0	53.5	53.4	45.7	45.5	57.4	58.1	13.5	12.7
Year	52.6	52.2	55.0	54.9	46.2	46.0	56.9	57.5	13.8	13.0
1948										
January	52.0	51.8	54.6	54.5	46.2	46.0	56.4	57.2	14.2	13.3
February	53.1	52.7	55.2	54.9	46.3	46.1	55.8	56.8	14.8	13.6
March	54.1	53.5	56.2	55.7	46.4	46.3	56.8	57.9	14.3	13.0
April	54.7	53.9	57.0	56.5	45.9	45.7	58.0	58.7	13.3	12.2
May	54.0	53.4	56.1	55.8	46.4	46.2	57.2	57.8	13.6	12.8
June	52.8	52.4	55.5	55.5	46.6	46.3	56.4	56.9	14.6	13.9
July	52.5	52.1	55.8	55.7	46.7	46.5	56.0	56.6	14.4	13.7
August	52.2	51.9	55.3	55.4	46.3	45.9	56.5	57.2	13.8	12.9
September	52.2	52.0	55.1	55.1	46.3	46.0	57.8	58.5	12.7	11.9
October	51.5	51.4	54.4	54.5	45.0	44.7	58.5	58.9	12.6	12.0
November	51.5	51.3	54.2	54.3	45.7	45.4	57.5	57.9	13.5	12.9
December	52.7	52.2	54.5	54.0	46.4	46.2	56.1	56.7	14.9	14.1
Year	52.7	52.3	55.2	55.1	46.2	45.9	56.8	57.5	14.0	13.2
1949										
January	54.2	53.7	55.2	55.0	46.6	46.5	55.7	56.2	15.5	14.7
February	54.7	54.1	55.8	55.5	46.7	46.6	55.4	56.1	15.4	14.5
March	55.4	54.6	56.3	55.9	46.2	46.1	56.1	56.6	15.1	14.3
April	56.0	55.2	56.5	56.1	47.1	46.9	56.3	56.6	14.7	14.0
May	56.1	55.2	56.8	56.3	47.5	47.3	56.0	56.4	15.1	14.0
June	55.2	54.4	56.2	56.0	47.6	47.3	56.1	56.4	14.6	14.1
July	55.0	54.3	56.0	55.8	47.2	46.9	55.7	56.0	15.1	14.5
August	54.5	54.0	55.8	55.7	46.9	46.7	56.1	56.5	14.4	13.7
September	53.6	53.2	54.8	54.8	47.1	46.8	57.2	57.5	13.5	12.9
October	53.1	52.8	54.7	54.6	46.8	47.1	56.3	56.7	14.1	13.5
November	52.7	52.3	54.5	54.3	47.6	47.4	56.6	56.9	14.1	13.5
December	53.4	52.9	54.9	54.5	47.6	47.4	56.1	56.3	14.8	14.3
Year	54.5	53.9	55.5	55.3	47.1	46.9	56.1	55.2	14.7	14.0
1950										
January	54.3	53.8	55.6	55.2	47.6	47.5	55.9	56.2	15.0	14.4
February	54.6	54.1	55.7	55.4	47.6	47.4	56.0	56.3	14.7	14.1
March	55.0	54.3	56.2	55.8	47.6	47.4	56.4	56.5	14.6	14.0
April	55.6	54.9	56.4	56.0	48.0	47.8	56.0	56.2	14.8	14.2
May	55.5	54.7	56.3	55.7	48.4	48.1	55.9	56.1	14.7	14.2
June	55.3	54.5	56.0	55.8	47.8	47.5	55.3	55.5	15.0	14.5
July	55.0	54.3	56.1	55.8	47.7	47.5	56.1	56.2	14.5	14.1
August	55.0	54.4	55.7	55.7	47.3	47.1	55.4	55.8	14.5	13.9
September	54.7	54.2	55.4	55.4	47.5	47.2	57.0	57.2	13.7	13.2
October	54.2	53.7	55.2	55.1	47.3	47.0	56.9	57.1	13.8	13.3
November	53.5	52.9	54.6	54.3	47.2	46.9	56.4	56.7	13.8	13.3
December	53.7	53.2	54.8	54.5	47.3	47.1	55.7	56.1	14.6	14.0
Year	54.7	54.1	55.7	55.4	47.6	47.4	56.1	56.3	14.5	13.9
1951										
January	54.4	53.9	56.2	54.7	47.6	47.4	54.6	55.1	15.2	14.5
February	54.6	54.1	56.6	56.1	47.5	47.3	56.1	56.5	14.4	13.7
March	55.3	54.7	57.7	57.0	47.2	47.0	55.8	56.1	14.3	13.8
April	55.8	55.1	57.4	56.7	48.0	47.8	55.9	56.2	14.4	13.9
May	56.5	55.6	57.0	56.4	48.4	48.1	55.1	55.4	14.9	14.4
June	56.8	55.9	57.7	57.2	47.8	47.5	55.0	55.3	15.0	14.4
July	56.2	55.3	56.8	56.4	47.5	47.2	54.8	55.1	14.9	14.4
August	54.8	54.3	56.3	56.1	47.1	46.7	55.6	56.0	14.4	13.8
September	54.4	53.9	55.7	55.5	47.2	46.9	55.9	56.2	14.5	13.9
October	52.7	52.3	55.5	55.2	46.3	45.9	55.2	55.8	14.2	13.6
November	53.3	52.8	54.6	54.5	46.9	46.6	55.4	55.8	14.4	13.9
December	54.7	54.0	55.7	55.0	47.3	47.1	54.4	54.8	14.8	14.3
Year	54.9	54.2	56.2	55.8	47.4	47.1	55.2	55.7	14.6	14.1

1/ Data for Federal inspection based on numbers slaughtered excluding condemned.

2/ Production of pork and lard. Weight of pork excludes head bones. Pork plus lard yield is less than reported "dressing percentage" for hogs.

Table A-11.- Live weight of marketings, cash receipts from marketings, and gross income from meat animals, by classes, 1930-50

	Live weight of mktgs. 1/			Meat animal mktgs., Index no., 1935-39=100	Cash receipts from marketings 1/ 2/				Gross income 2/ 3/			
	Cattle and calves	Sheep and lambs	Hogs		Cattle and calves	Sheep and lambs	Hogs	All meat animals	Cattle and calves	Sheep and lambs	Hogs	All meat animals
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Percent	Million dollars	Million dollars	Million dollars	Million dollars	Million dollars	Million dollars	Million dollars	Million dollars
1930	14,653	2,206	12,221	---	1,184	162	1,135	2,481	1,204	163	1,369	2,736
1931	14,438	2,505	12,801	---	838	130	774	1,742	854	132	950	1,936
1932	13,960	2,222	12,505	---	621	93	445	1,159	635	95	557	1,287
1933	15,165	2,226	13,282	---	599	105	524	1,228	614	107	631	1,352
1934	20,350	2,555	11,878	---	813	132	520	1,465	828	134	646	1,608
1935	17,037	2,316	7,330	88	1,062	152	682	1,896	1,084	155	890	2,129
1936	18,318	2,314	9,973	104	1,114	166	991	2,271	1,134	168	1,234	2,536
1937	17,051	2,321	9,146	96	1,239	186	925	2,350	1,261	188	1,161	2,610
1938	17,057	2,460	10,638	102	1,162	157	870	2,189	1,184	159	1,065	2,408
1939	17,385	2,431	12,327	110	1,290	172	810	2,272	1,312	174	981	2,467
1940	17,529	2,448	14,837	118	1,376	180	838	2,392	1,400	182	984	2,566
1941	18,628	2,563	13,765	119	1,705	226	1,302	3,233	1,732	229	1,518	3,479
1942	20,472	2,925	16,300	132	2,263	306	2,198	4,767	2,300	309	2,507	5,116
1943	20,866	3,042	20,748	152	2,562	342	2,929	5,833	2,606	346	3,302	6,254
1944	23,117	2,801	20,833	159	2,604	300	2,801	5,705	2,652	304	3,134	6,090
1945	26,839	2,835	15,738	149	3,290	319	2,298	5,907	3,346	323	2,674	6,343
1946	24,964	2,673	16,233	146	3,722	362	2,961	7,045	3,793	366	3,449	7,608
1947	25,902	2,274	16,015	147	4,932	403	4,005	9,340	5,017	408	4,635	10,060
1948	22,856	2,087	15,471	135	5,231	413	3,715	9,360	5,326	419	4,307	10,052
1949	23,561	1,786	17,045	139	4,838	354	3,190	8,383	4,920	359	3,627	8,906
1950	23,846	1,708	17,795	147	5,716	390	3,297	9,402	5,808	395	3,697	9,900

1/ Excludes interfarm sales.
2/ Does not include Government payments.
3/ Cash receipts plus value of home consumption.

Table A-12 .- Price per 100 pounds received by farmers for meat animals by classes, and index numbers of prices received for meat animals, United States, by months, 1935 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Wt. av. 1/
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
	Beef cattle												
1935	5.17	5.93	6.57	6.94	7.10	6.80	6.27	6.18	6.08	5.81	5.67	5.95	6.04
1936	6.11	6.03	6.04	6.29	6.20	5.98	5.60	5.52	5.72	5.58	5.68	6.01	5.82
1937	6.60	6.63	7.02	7.26	7.46	7.48	7.67	7.40	7 36	6.79	6.33	6.15	7.00
1938	6.21	6.02	6.35	6.52	6.50	6.65	7.14	6.70	6.79	6.63	6.62	6.67	6.54
1939	6.97	7.12	7.26	7.35	7.33	7.05	6.91	6.74	7.36	7.25	7.14	7.11	7.14
1940	7.19	7.03	7.16	7.32	7.51	7.28	7.48	7.51	7.77	7.78	7.88	7.84	7.56
1941	8.37	8.31	8.27	8.55	8.51	8.61	8.73	9.04	9.32	9.14	8.82	9.34	8.82
1942	9.72	9.89	10.10	10.50	10.60	10.70	10.70	11.10	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.20	10.70
1943	11.76	12.32	12.76	13.00	12.88	12.70	12.40	12.00	11.70	11.10	10.60	10.90	11.90
1944	11.20	11.60	12.00	12.10	12.00	11.70	10.90	10.30	10.10	9.71	9.79	10.10	10.80
1945	11.00	11.60	12.50	13.10	13.40	13.40	13.00	12.40	11.80	11.50	11.30	11.50	12.10
1946	12.00	12.60	13.10	13.60	13.70	13.80	15.70	15.70	13.80	16.00	16.20	16.50	14.50
1947	16.70	17.00	18.00	18.30	18.80	19.30	19.50	19.00	19.00	18.30	18.20	19.50	18.50
1948	21.30	20.10	21.50	22.50	23.90	24.40	25.20	23.70	23.30	21.20	20.80	20.40	22.20
1949	20.20	18.90	20.70	21.00	21.10	20.90	20.00	19.40	19.70	19.20	18.90	19.00	19.80
1950	19.70	20.50	21.20	21.90	23.10	23.70	24.40	24.20	24.60	24.20	24.60	25.20	23.20
1951	27.00	29.00	29.70	30.20	29.50	29.50	29.00	29.10	29.50	29.00	28.10	27.50	28.90
1952	27.20	27.60											
	Veal calves												
1935	5.92	6.58	7.13	7.34	7.07	7.20	6.86	7.23	7.75	7.74	7.73	7.92	7.16
1936	8.03	8.15	7.42	7.56	7.48	7.43	6.92	6.76	7.16	7.12	6.93	7.45	7.20
1937	8.29	7.93	7.91	7.95	7.85	7.91	8.15	8.50	8.66	8.32	8.04	7.83	8.10
1938	8.16	8.05	8.06	7.91	7.54	7.61	7.79	7.81	8.11	8.07	8.06	7.93	7.90
1939	8.23	8.66	8.64	8.35	8.24	7.98	8.06	8.08	8.81	8.80	8.59	8.40	8.40
1940	8.91	8.77	8.82	8.65	8.93	8.51	8.62	8.61	9.07	9.12	9.11	9.07	8.83
1941	9.71	10.10	9.78	9.86	9.91	9.91	10.23	10.50	11.20	11.06	10.75	11.18	10.30
1942	12.03	11.85	12.08	12.15	12.39	12.31	12.43	12.74	12.80	12.80	12.82	12.94	12.30
1943	13.55	14.11	14.40	14.22	14.26	14.20	13.90	13.60	13.40	13.00	12.40	12.50	13.30
1944	12.70	13.00	13.20	13.10	13.20	13.10	12.70	12.40	12.40	12.20	12.20	12.30	12.40
1945	12.90	13.20	13.50	13.90	13.80	13.80	13.90	13.30	12.90	12.70	12.60	12.60	13.10
1946	13.30	13.70	13.90	14.30	14.40	14.80	16.30	15.90	15.20	16.20	16.70	17.00	15.30
1947	18.00	19.00	19.60	19.40	20.20	20.90	20.80	20.70	21.40	21.00	21.10	21.90	20.40
1948	23.80	22.50	23.10	23.90	25.00	25.20	26.40	25.90	25.50	23.80	23.80	24.10	24.40
1949	24.70	23.80	24.20	24.40	23.70	23.30	22.10	22.00	21.90	21.70	21.70	22.00	22.70
1950	23.20	24.20	24.20	24.50	25.60	25.90	26.60	27.40	27.80	27.20	27.60	28.40	26.40
1951	30.80	33.30	33.50	33.90	33.20	33.40	32.50	32.60	32.80	32.70	31.60	31.30	32.60
1952	31.50	31.90											
	Hogs												
1935	7.05	7.36	8.46	8.17	8.23	8.66	8.72	10.64	10.58	9.71	8.57	8.80	8.65
1936	9.09	9.62	9.44	9.68	8.71	9.10	9.28	10.14	9.84	9.24	8.78	9.19	9.37
1937	9.58	9.38	9.38	9.21	9.62	10.24	10.99	11.77	10.83	9.92	8.26	7.55	9.50
1938	7.66	7.83	8.53	7.85	7.43	8.14	8.71	7.85	8.19	7.25	7.27	6.91	7.74
1939	6.97	7.30	7.14	6.59	6.34	5.91	5.96	5.30	6.88	6.50	5.82	4.97	6.23
1940	5.17	4.96	4.87	4.91	5.37	4.78	5.84	5.90	6.20	5.85	5.61	5.61	5.39
1941	7.47	7.29	7.16	8.16	8.31	9.12	10.32	10.48	11.24	10.13	9.70	10.32	9.09
1942	10.69	11.85	12.51	13.48	13.27	13.38	13.78	14.12	13.57	14.10	13.43	13.26	13.00
1943	14.07	14.63	14.67	14.34	13.89	13.60	13.20	13.70	14.10	14.00	12.90	12.80	13.70
1944	12.80	12.90	12.90	13.00	12.70	12.60	12.70	13.50	13.60	13.80	13.50	13.40	13.10
1945	13.80	14.00	14.00	14.10	14.10	14.10	14.10	14.00	14.10	14.10	14.20	14.20	14.00
1946	14.10	14.20	14.20	14.20	14.30	14.30	17.20	20.80	16.10	22.20	23.00	22.80	17.50
1947	21.90	24.30	26.50	23.90	22.20	22.10	22.00	23.60	26.70	27.10	24.30	25.20	24.10
1948	26.60	21.60	21.50	20.30	19.90	22.90	25.20	26.90	27.40	24.70	21.80	20.90	23.10
1949	19.60	19.30	20.00	18.30	17.90	18.80	18.60	19.40	19.80	17.60	15.60	14.80	18.10
1950	15.10	16.60	16.00	15.70	18.30	18.20	20.90	21.70	21.30	19.20	17.80	17.80	18.00
1951	20.00	22.00	21.20	20.60	20.40	21.10	20.80	21.20	19.70	20 30	18.00	17.60	20.20
1952	17.40	17.20											

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Table A-12.- Price per 100 pounds received by farmers for meat animals by classes, and index numbers of prices received for meat animals, United States, by months, 1935 to date-Continued

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Wt. av. 1/
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
							Sheep						
1935	3.35	3.80	3.84	3.81	3.66	3.60	3.45	3.52	3.74	3.79	3.88	4.18	3.75
1936	4.33	4.28	4.36	4.47	4.31	4.01	3.93	3.70	3.62	3.52	3.59	3.85	3.77
1937	4.25	4.44	4.79	4.95	4.87	4.49	4.50	4.51	4.35	4.27	3.90	3.83	4.52
1938	3.70	3.65	4.03	3.94	3.64	3.43	3.48	3.42	3.38	3.38	3.57	3.70	3.58
1939	3.90	4.09	4.03	4.25	3.98	3.72	3.72	3.61	3.84	3.95	3.85	3.80	3.90
1940	3.95	4.02	4.37	4.27	4.13	3.91	3.69	3.66	3.76	3.82	4.01	4.10	3.95
1941	4.44	4.65	4.86	5.20	4.97	4.69	4.69	5.03	5.36	5.15	5.13	5.24	5.06
1942	5.52	5.71	5.85	6.03	6.03	5.60	5.46	5.52	5.50	5.44	5.48	5.92	5.80
1943	6.39	7.01	7.27	7.35	7.31	7.14	6.84	6.53	6.39	6.08	5.81	5.94	6.57
1944	6.11	6.57	6.80	6.97	6.74	6.59	6.09	5.77	5.52	5.61	5.61	5.83	6.01
1945	6.18	6.56	6.87	7.17	6.99	6.82	6.83	6.39	5.89	5.79	5.86	5.98	6.38
1946	6.34	6.62	6.87	7.01	7.06	7.23	8.14	7.14	7.52	8.43	7.70	7.55	7.48
1947	7.64	7.78	8.43	8.57	8.73	8.36	8.59	8.55	8.64	8.42	8.63	8.62	8.41
1948	9.29	9.31	9.44	9.48	10.50	10.30	10.20	10.20	9.67	9.07	8.93	8.81	9.66
1949	9.10	9.28	10.10	10.80	10.60	9.92	9.27	8.78	8.61	8.88	8.86	9.20	9.31
1950	9.69	10.30	11.10	11.10	11.00	10.40	10.40	11.10	11.80	12.90	13.30	13.80	11.50
1951	15.20	17.70	19.00	18.10	16.90	16.50	15.50	15.00	14.90	15.20	14.10	13.90	16.00
1952	13.40	13.30											
							Lambs						
1935	6.77	6.98	6.99	6.92	6.95	6.88	6.54	6.71	7.45	7.58	7.87	8.36	7.28
1936	8.53	8.55	8.36	8.69	8.85	8.70	8.21	7.87	7.67	7.50	7.44	7.26	8.05
1937	8.14	8.37	9.21	9.61	9.61	9.32	8.80	8.89	8.83	8.64	8.09	7.69	8.88
1938	7.39	6.77	7.55	7.40	7.10	7.16	7.17	6.87	6.76	6.65	7.06	7.31	7.05
1939	7.58	7.63	7.70	8.18	8.37	7.91	7.64	7.21	7.84	7.86	7.74	7.62	7.78
1940	7.79	7.84	8.31	8.46	8.59	8.47	8.17	7.81	7.82	7.86	8.02	8.09	8.10
1941	8.56	8.80	9.12	9.37	9.34	9.49	9.47	9.56	10.09	9.83	9.70	10.13	9.58
1942	10.56	10.69	10.62	10.85	11.60	11.98	11.81	12.05	11.90	11.83	12.04	12.49	11.70
1943	13.03	13.76	13.97	13.87	13.82	13.50	13.30	12.80	12.50	12.20	11.90	12.10	13.00
1944	12.50	13.20	13.50	13.60	13.40	13.10	12.60	12.20	12.10	12.10	12.10	12.30	12.50
1945	12.90	13.50	13.80	13.90	13.60	13.40	13.40	12.90	12.50	12.50	12.70	12.80	13.10
1946	12.90	13.40	13.70	14.00	14.10	14.30	15.90	16.40	15.70	17.40	18.50	18.70	15.60
1947	19.10	19.60	20.30	19.80	19.90	20.90	20.90	20.90	21.50	20.30	20.80	21.30	20.50
1948	22.20	20.80	21.10	21.20	23.30	24.90	26.10	24.80	23.30	21.90	21.90	21.80	22.80
1949	22.00	21.70	23.80	25.80	25.30	24.30	22.80	21.20	21.60	21.50	21.40	21.00	22.40
1950	21.70	23.00	24.00	24.10	24.70	24.80	24.70	25.00	25.70	26.00	26.80	27.60	25.10
1951	30.00	33.30	35.00	34.30	32.60	31.70	30.20	29.80	29.80	29.80	29.00	28.50	31.20
1952	28.20	26.80											
							Index numbers of prices received for meat animals January 1910-December 1914=100 2/						
	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
1935	95	104	116	117	119	119	115	126	126	119	111	116	115
1936	119	122	120	124	117	117	115	119	118	114	111	117	118
1937	125	124	128	130	134	137	143	146	140	129	115	109	130
1938	110	109	116	113	110	115	123	114	117	110	110	109	113
1939	112	116	116	113	112	106	105	100	115	112	107	101	110
1940	104	101	102	104	108	102	110	110	115	113	112	112	108
1941	128	127	126	135	136	141	150	153	161	153	147	156	143
1942	162	171	177	186	186	188	190	196	192	195	191	192	186
1943	203	212	216	216	212	208	203	202	202	196	184	186	203
1944	189	194	198	199	196	193	186	186	185	183	182	184	190
1945	194	201	209	215	217	216	214	210	205	202	202	203	207
1946	208	214	219	223	225	226	258	279	235	292	299	301	248
1947	298	317	339	325	320	324	325	331	351	346	329	346	329
1948	371	329	339	342	354	377	400	396	394	359	338	330	361
1949	323	309	327	324	319	323	316	310	319	301	286	280	311
1950	286	306	308	312	342	342	371	369	372	358	357	360	340
1951	391	425	428	428	418	422	414	416	411	410	387	379	411
1952	376	377											

1/ Annual State averages weighted by shipments and local slaughter. 2/ Includes production payments on beef cattle, sheep and lambs, 1945-46. Year averages are unweighted.

Table A-13.- Market price per 100 pounds for selected classes of cattle and calves, 1933 to date 1/

Year	Beef steers for slaughter 2/								Cows, Chicago 3/		Vealers,
	Chicago						Omaha,	Sioux		Canner	Chicago,
	Prime	Choice	Good	Commercial	Utility	All grades	all grades	City, all grades	Utility	and Cutter 5/	Choice and Prime
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
1933	6.12	5.56	4.91		4.08	5.42	---	---	---	2.01	5.88
1934	7.84	6.94	5.53		4.29	6.76	---	---	---	2.05	6.10
1935	12.32	10.79	8.80		6.73	10.26	---	---	---	3.78	8.88
1936	9.97	8.82	7.85		6.58	8.82	---	---	---	4.04	9.30
1937	14.79	11.79	9.19		7.51	11.47	---	---	---	4.54	10.07
1938	10.71	9.14	7.88		6.77	9.39	---	---	5.54	4.63	9.52
1939	10.48	9.81	8.77		7.51	9.75	---	---	5.70	4.95	10.07
1940	11.86	10.48	8.84		7.51	10.43	---	---	5.42	4.90	10.61
1941	12.23	11.36	10.02		8.64	11.33	---	---	6.51	5.95	12.18
1942	15.19	13.90	12.22		10.40	13.79	---	---	8.35	7.60	14.48
1943	16.23	15.34	14.01		11.66	15.30	---	---	9.51	8.52	15.18
1944	17.05	15.73	13.87		11.25	15.44	---	---	8.68	7.54	14.86
1945	17.30	16.00	14.12		11.73	16.18	---	---	9.71	8.51	15.12
1946	20.24	19.32	17.36		13.75	19.16	---	---	10.52	9.36	16.87
1947	30.64	26.22	21.76		18.04	25.83	---	---	12.93	11.82	24.98
1948	35.24	30.96	26.31		22.16	30.88	---	---	18.01	16.58	29.02
1949	28.65	26.07	23.17		19.77	25.80	24.23	24.41	15.41	14.38	27.64
1950	32.43	29.68	26.08		22.86	29.35	27.88	27.98	19.03	16.48	31.08
1951	38.11	35.96	33.37	30.97	28.31	35.72	34.18	34.34	24.48	20.93	37.19

1/ All grade names are those in use in 1952. 2/ Corn Belt steers sold out of first hands for slaughter. 3/ Prices for cows of Good grade as used through 1950 may be found in this Situation, February 1950, page 42. The old Good grade is now a part of the Commercial grade, which includes also the upper half of the old Medium grade. 4/ Previous name was Common. However, data shown for July 1939 through 1949 are as reported for Cutter and Common. 5/ From July 1939 through 1949, average of prices for Cutter and Common and for Canner.

Compiled from Market News, Livestock Branch, PMA.

Table A-14 .- Market price per 100 pounds for selected classes of hogs and sheep, 1933 to date

Year	Barrows and gilts, Chicago							Barrows and gilts, 7 markets 1/	Sows, Chicago	Lambs		Slaughter ewes, Good and Choice, Chicago
	160-180 pounds	180-200 pounds	200-220 pounds	220-250 pounds	250-290 pounds	290-350 pounds	All weights			Slaughter, Choice and Prime, Chicago 2/	Feeding, Good and Choice, Omaha 3/	
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
1933	4.08	4.18	4.20	4.16	4.05	3.88	—	—	3.17	6.63	5.68	2.57
1934	4.71	4.93	5.05	5.09	5.07	4.99	—	—	4.06	7.89	6.43	3.15
1935	9.55	9.70	9.78	9.78	9.67	9.50	—	—	8.34	8.85	7.69	4.04
1936	10.12	10.27	10.35	10.34	10.19	9.96	—	—	8.70	9.86	8.22	4.20
1937	10.54	10.65	10.70	10.67	10.54	10.35	—	—	9.98	10.59	9.10	4.68
1938	8.54	8.62	8.64	8.56	8.36	8.11	8.27	8.13	7.34	8.39	7.39	3.82
1939	6.94	7.06	7.08	4/7.04	4/6.88	4/6.62	6.81	6.62	5.67	9.26	8.21	4.03
1940	5.71	5.95	6.03	5/6.03	6/5.93	7/5.78	5.80	5.62	5.31	9.65	8.53	4.18
1941	9.59	9.79	9.85	5/9.84	6/9.73	7/9.59	9.47	9.39	9.34	11.19	10.27	5.43
1942	13.63	13.90	13.99	5/13.99	6/13.95	7/13.90	13.69	13.54	13.73	13.81	12.02	6.60
1943	14.17	14.49	14.66	5/14.66	5/14.62	7/14.56	14.49	14.20	13.71	14.95	13.22	7.44
1944	13.57	13.98	14.14	5/14.14	6/13.94	7/13.70	13.77	13.53	12.75	15.22	12.70	6.89
1945	14.74	14.76	14.76	5/14.76	6/14.76	7/14.76	14.75	14.56	13.99	15.48	14.17	7.69
1946	17.68	17.93	17.97	5/17.96	6/17.94	7/17.88	18.42	17.85	18.31	18.65	16.46	8.25
1947	25.75	26.23	26.32	5/26.24	6/25.91	7/25.29	25.21	25.16	21.88	23.59	20.76	9.17
1948	25.14	25.55	25.61	5/25.40	6/24.77	7/23.87	23.27	23.35	22.58	25.96	22.36	11.59
1949	19.50	19.88	19.94	5/19.77	6/19.41	7/18.87	18.62	18.60	16.67	25.45	23.06	10.83
1950	18.91	19.46	19.59	5/19.51	6/19.25	7/18.84	18.39	18.42	17.72	27.30	27.52	12.67
1951	20.68	21.33	21.45	5/21.36	6/21.12	7/20.67	20.74	20.47	18.43	34.33	31.90	17.58

1/ Chicago, St. Louis N.S.Y., Kansas City, Omaha, Sioux City, S. St. Joseph, S. St. Paul. 2/ Average of prices by months for marekt classes as reported in each month. Beginning 1932 reported classes change seasonally, comprising shorn lambs in about May, spring lambs in about June-September, and wooled lambs in all other months. Grade is that now in use (1952). 3/ Average prices for the months available. In some years, no prices are quoted for one to three months of few feeder shipments. 4/ Average of prices in January-June for market class of earlier years, and in July-December for class of later years. 5/ 220-240 pounds. 6/ 240-270 pounds. 7/ 270-300 pounds.

Compiled from Market News, Livestock Branch, PMA.

Table A-15-Average price per 100 pounds for stocker and feeder steers at Kansas City and Choice grade slaughter steers at Chicago, by months 1934 to date

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Av. 2/
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
	Stocker and feeder steers, Kansas City 1/												
1934	4.00	4.55	4.55	4.69	4.75	4.08	3.71	3.76	4.05	3.92	3.98	4.07	4.07
1935	5.92	6.86	7.28	7.48	7.69	6.88	6.32	6.91	7.06	6.88	6.52	6.83	6.88
1936	7.07	6.95	7.51	7.23	7.12	6.56	5.34	5.53	5.81	6.01	6.32	6.46	6.39
1937	7.26	7.32	7.84	7.67	7.86	7.87	8.28	8.58	8.09	7.58	7.14	6.71	7.72
1938	6.98	7.04	7.60	7.55	7.72	7.51	7.80	7.54	7.42	7.47	7.77	8.00	7.54
1939	8.52	8.79	9.18	9.21	8.89	7.94	7.61	7.43	8.02	8.04	7.95	7.96	8.09
1940	8.07	8.12	8.97	9.06	9.18	8.05	8.09	8.53	8.41	8.52	8.81	8.76	8.53
1941	10.16	10.00	10.29	10.33	10.06	9.90	9.59	9.79	9.98	9.53	9.35	10.46	9.93
1942	10.57	10.69	11.47	11.93	12.00	11.83	11.09	12.05	11.64	11.83	12.62	12.24	11.75
1943	12.67	13.48	14.49	14.58	14.60	14.38	12.48	12.17	11.81	11.36	10.97	11.29	12.35
1944	11.60	12.95	13.06	12.76	12.84	11.65	10.93	11.50	11.34	11.50	11.96	11.49	11.78
1945	12.40	13.00	13.60	13.90	14.23	13.73	13.54	13.08	12.25	12.62	13.19	13.41	13.07
1946	13.56	14.71	15.22	15.86	15.82	15.72	15.53	15.51	15.99	16.42	16.30	17.63	15.87
1947	17.68	18.96	20.13	19.91	21.33	21.11	21.91	21.22	21.65	20.96	21.32	23.59	20.81
1948	26.31	24.15	25.57	26.62	27.60	26.96	28.25	27.40	25.42	24.41	24.52	23.26	25.54
1949	22.15	21.25	24.37	23.66	24.02	22.53	20.62	20.06	19.74	20.57	21.45	21.44	21.34
1950	22.94	24.13	25.32	25.79	27.19	27.44	27.48	26.90	26.90	26.92	28.46	29.45	26.67
1951	31.88	34.42	35.12	35.64	34.29	32.83	31.61	32.59	31.90	31.97	31.63	30.45	32.86
1952	31.19	32.06											
	Choice grade beef steers for slaughter, Chicago 3/												
1934	5.20	5.37	5.97	6.62	6.95	7.31	7.12	7.39	8.20	7.52	7.50	8.04	6.94
1935	9.90	11.11	11.43	11.91	11.54	10.57	10.04	10.71	10.70	10.81	10.55	10.62	10.79
1936	10.28	9.47	9.31	8.83	8.07	7.80	8.16	8.41	8.86	9.10	9.95	10.38	8.82
1937	10.88	10.90	11.51	11.15	11.46	11.96	13.83	13.97	13.88	13.39	11.42	9.69	11.79
1938	8.29	7.91	8.49	8.49	8.69	9.15	9.98	9.69	10.03	10.01	9.99	10.16	9.14
1939	10.35	10.23	10.64	10.33	9.92	9.29	9.26	9.03	10.20	9.68	9.52	9.44	9.81
1940	9.44	9.53	9.86	10.01	9.92	9.57	10.29	10.82	11.15	11.72	11.73	11.86	10.48
1941	12.21	11.64	11.12	11.07	10.54	10.74	11.11	11.58	11.56	11.36	11.24	12.41	11.36
1942	12.54	12.47	13.03	13.83	13.65	13.12	13.75	14.87	14.63	15.07	15.40	14.90	13.90
1943	15.05	15.53	15.92	15.91	15.59	15.50	15.06	15.29	15.27	14.92	14.98	14.89	15.34
1944	15.00	15.12	15.23	15.33	15.73	16.23	16.35	16.42	16.26	16.56	16.27	15.62	15.73
1945	15.35	15.42	15.81	16.11	16.16	16.16	16.17	15.98	16.15	16.45	16.56	16.45	16.00
1946	16.51	16.36	16.37	16.46	16.55	16.98	19.86	20.73	19.58	24.97	25.63	25.28	19.32
1947	23.93	23.79	24.05	23.45	24.22	25.72	27.64	28.27	29.43	29.55	29.12	29.62	26.22
1948	30.36	27.10	26.92	28.17	30.91	34.85	36.44	36.02	34.49	32.24	30.68	27.82	30.96
1949	24.72	22.99	24.19	24.37	24.92	26.37	25.96	26.50	28.22	29.63	29.35	29.91	26.07
1950	28.14	27.19	27.33	27.66	29.19	29.99	30.62	29.97	30.32	30.42	31.24	32.98	29.68
1951	34.77	35.98	36.67	36.93	36.52	35.68	35.47	35.85	36.68	36.31	36.09	34.78	35.96
1952	34.68	34.57											

1/ Average for all weights and grades. 2/ Weighted average. 3/ Grade name in use beginning 1951. Through 1950, data were originally reported as Good grade.

Compiled from Market News. Livestock Branch, PMA.

Table A-16.- Price per 100 pounds received by farmers, parity price, and price received as percentage of parity, meat animals, 1932 to date 1/

Year	Beef cattle			Veal calves			Hogs			Lambs			Sheep		
	Price received by farmers 2/	Parity price 3/	Price received as percentage of parity	Price received by farmers 2/	Parity price 3/	Price received as percentage of parity	Price received by farmers 2/	Parity price 3/	Price received as percentage of parity	Price received by farmers 2/	Parity price 3/	Price received as percentage of parity	Price received by farmers 2/	Parity price 3/	Price received as percentage of parity
	Dollars	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Dollars	Percent
1932	4.27	6.72	64	5.02	8.37	60	3.39	9.01	38	4.56	7.29	62	2.31	5.61	41
1933	3.73	6.45	58	4.63	8.03	58	3.50	8.65	40	4.99	7.00	71	2.41	5.39	45
1934	4.10	6.94	59	4.89	8.64	57	4.22	9.31	45	6.09	7.53	81	2.98	5.79	52
1935	6.21	6.94	89	7.21	8.64	83	8.75	9.31	94	7.17	7.53	95	3.72	5.82	64
1936	5.90	6.88	86	7.37	8.57	86	9.34	9.23	101	8.14	7.47	109	4.00	5.74	70
1937	7.01	7.15	98	8.11	8.91	91	9.73	9.60	101	8.77	7.76	113	4.43	5.99	74
1938	6.57	6.83	96	7.92	8.50	93	7.80	9.16	85	7.10	7.41	96	3.61	5.71	63
1939	7.13	6.67	107	8.40	8.30	101	6.31	8.94	70	7.77	7.23	108	3.90	5.58	70
1940	7.48	6.72	111	8.85	8.37	105	5.42	9.01	60	8.10	7.29	111	3.97	5.64	70
1941	8.75	7.10	123	10.40	8.84	117	9.14	9.52	96	9.46	7.70	123	4.95	5.94	83
1942	10.60	8.08	132	12.40	10.10	124	13.10	10.80	121	11.50	8.76	132	5.67	6.74	84
1943	12.00	8.67	139	13.60	10.80	126	13.80	11.60	119	13.10	9.41	139	6.67	7.26	92
1944	11.00	9.11	121	12.70	11.30	112	13.10	12.20	108	12.70	9.88	129	6.18	7.59	82
1945	12.20	9.27	132	13.30	11.50	115	14.10	12.40	113	13.20	10.10	131	6.44	7.76	83
1946	14.40	10.40	139	15.10	12.90	117	17.30	13.90	124	15.40	11.20	137	7.30	8.65	84
1947	18.50	12.50	148	20.30	15.50	131	24.20	16.70	145	20.40	13.50	152	8.41	10.40	81
1948	22.40	13.40	167	24.40	16.70	146	23.30	18.00	129	22.70	14.60	156	9.60	11.20	85
1949	19.90	13.10	152	23.30	16.30	140	18.30	17.60	104	22.70	14.20	159	9.45	11.00	86
1950	23.10	17.40	133	26.30	19.50	135	18.20	19.20	95	24.70	19.10	129	11.30	10.70	105
1951	28.90	19.70	146	32.60	22.10	148	20.20	21.30	95	31.20	21.70	144	16.00	11.10	144

1/ Parity prices for meat animals through 1949 are computed from the standard formula in effect prior to January 1,1950. They are not affected by the revisions of January 1950. Parity prices for 1950 and 1951 are effective parity as currently published. 2/ Unweighted average of prices, by months. 3/ Through 1949, based on index of prices paid, interest and taxes as revised January 1950.

Table -A-17-Hog-corn price ratio, Chicago and United States, by months, 1932 to date 1/

Chicago, based on prices of barrows and gilts 2/

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Av. 3/
1937									11.3	15.6	16.3	14.2	
1938	13.5	14.8	15.9	14.2	14.3	15.5	16.2	16.3	16.9	17.7	16.7	14.3	15.5
1939	14.3	16.3	15.8	14.4	13.3	12.9	13.9	13.8	14.4	14.6	12.2	9.7	13.8
1940	9.2	9.0	8.9	8.8	8.3	7.9	9.7	10.1	10.5	9.9	9.6	10.4	9.4
1941	12.3	12.5	11.7	12.2	12.6	13.4	15.1	15.0	15.5	15.3	14.5	14.2	13.7
1942	14.0	15.4	16.4	17.3	16.5	16.9	16.9	17.5	17.4	19.4	17.3	15.7	16.7
1943	15.4	15.9	15.5	14.7	13.6	13.1	13.0	13.5	14.0	13.8	12.9	11.7	13.9
1944	11.8	11.9	12.1	11.8	11.4	11.4	11.9	12.6	12.7	12.8	13.0	12.5	12.2
1945	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.7	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	12.6	12.5	12.6
1946	12.7	12.6	12.3	12.3	10.3	9.7	8.4	11.4	8.6	12.7	17.4	17.3	12.1
1947	17.2	18.4	15.8	13.4	12.7	11.1	11.4	11.2	11.2	11.7	10.4	10.2	12.9
1948	10.0	10.0	9.4	8.6	8.8	10.2	13.1	15.2	16.0	17.6	16.6	15.0	12.5
1949	13.8	15.6	15.3	13.6	13.9	15.3	15.3	16.4	15.8	15.7	13.9	11.9	14.2
1950	12.0	13.0	12.3	11.5	12.8	13.2	15.1	15.6	14.2	12.9	11.5	11.2	12.4
1951	12.0	12.5	12.4	11.9	12.0	12.9	12.8	12.4	11.6	11.5	10.2	9.4	11.6
1952	9.3												
	United States, based on prices received by farmer's for all hogs												
1932	10.7	10.5	12.0	11.2	9.4	9.2	14.3	13.4	13.3	14.5	15.2	13.8	12.3
1933	13.6	15.1	15.6	11.3	10.1	9.9	7.2	7.7	8.0	10.8	9.0	6.6	10.4
1934	6.7	8.5	8.2	7.3	6.3	6.2	6.7	6.4	7.9	6.7	6.6	6.0	7.0
1935	8.3	8.7	10.2	9.6	9.7	10.4	10.6	13.2	13.6	13.5	15.2	16.6	11.6
1936	17.0	17.3	16.7	16.9	14.5	14.8	11.6	9.8	9.4	9.4	9.3	9.5	13.0
1937	9.5	9.1	8.9	7.7	7.9	8.7	9.3	11.5	11.5	16.8	17.2	15.6	11.1
1938	14.7	15.1	16.6	14.9	14.1	15.6	16.2	16.2	17.1	17.3	18.2	16.0	16.0
1939	15.5	16.6	16.1	14.5	13.1	11.8	12.5	11.6	12.2	13.7	12.4	9.9	13.3
1940	9.7	9.1	8.7	8.4	8.5	7.5	9.3	9.4	10.0	9.8	9.9	10.3	9.2
1941	13.3	13.0	12.5	13.2	12.6	13.4	14.8	15.0	15.9	15.6	15.2	15.4	14.2
1942	14.7	15.5	16.0	16.9	16.3	16.3	16.6	16.9	16.4	18.2	17.7	16.5	16.5
1943	16.0	16.2	15.5	14.3	13.4	12.8	12.2	12.6	12.9	13.1	12.3	11.5	13.6
1944	11.3	11.4	11.5	11.3	11.0	11.0	10.9	11.5	11.7	12.2	12.7	12.6	11.6
1945	12.9	13.2	13.1	13.2	13.1	12.7	12.6	12.4	12.6	12.5	12.8	13.0	12.8
1946	12.8	12.8	12.5	12.2	10.6	10.1	8.8	11.6	9.3	13.1	18.1	18.7	12.6
1947	18.1	19.8	17.7	14.7	14.0	11.9	10.9	10.8	11.1	12.2	11.1	10.6	13.6
1948	10.8	11.2	10.2	9.3	9.2	10.6	12.5	14.1	15.4	17.9	18.0	17.0	13.0
1949	15.7	17.2	16.9	15.0	14.7	15.5	14.9	16.4	17.1	16.1	15.3	13.1	15.7
1950	13.1	14.3	13.4	12.5	13.7	13.4	14.5	15.1	14.8	14.0	13.0	12.3	13.7
1951	13.0	13.8	13.2	12.7	12.4	13.0	12.8	12.8	11.9	12.4	11.1	10.4	12.5
1952	10.4	10.4											

1/ Number of bushels of corn equivalent in value to 100 pounds of live hogs. Chicago ratio not available before September 1937.

2/ Corn price is of No. 3 Yellow.

3/ Unweighted average of ratios for individual months.

Table A-18.- Index numbers of retail and wholesale prices of meat, United States, by months 1938 to date 1/

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Year
	Retail prices (1935-39=100)												
1938	94.9	91.1	94.5	96.8	96.9	99.7	102.9	102.1	102.8	98.7	96.9	96.0	97.8
1939	96.1	96.6	96.7	97.7	97.8	96.7	97.5	95.4	101.9	97.1	94.2	91.1	96.6
1940	89.9	88.5	89.2	90.7	92.4	93.2	96.9	98.2	102.4	98.8	96.6	96.2	94.4
1941	99.8	101.3	101.0	101.7	102.5	105.7	108.1	110.9	115.7	112.6	109.3	109.7	106.5
1942	114.7	115.5	117.7	119.1	123.1	123.7	124.2	125.4	126.2	126.5	126.8	127.6	122.5
1943	128.2	128.9	129.3	129.8	130.2	130.3	120.1	119.1	118.7	119.0	118.4	118.4	124.2
1944	118.3	118.2	118.1	118.0	117.8	117.9	117.9	117.8	117.7	117.6	117.6	117.8	117.9
1945	117.9	117.9	117.9	118.0	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.0	118.0	118.0	118.0
1946	118.0	118.1	118.1	119.4	120.1	120.4	165.6	181.7	181.4	178.4	197.9	190.5	150.8
1947	192.1	191.7	204.1	198.7	200.6	216.1	219.7	229.8	241.9	234.9	223.6	223.2	214.7
1948	233.4	218.0	218.2	229.5	242.0	255.2	263.0	269.3	265.9	254.3	243.1	235.4	243.9
1949	228.2	212.3	222.5	228.5	228.0	239.3	234.4	237.3	242.0	233.1	226.4	220.0	229.3
1950	217.9	220.2	224.1	224.6	238.4	246.7	257.4	259.6	260.2	252.0	249.6	253.8	242.0
1951	265.5	271.2	271.9	272.5	272.4	273.1	274.2	276.6	277.6	281.0	278.6	274.6	274.1
1952	273.8												
	Wholesale prices (1926=100)												
1939			82.6			79.5		78.1	89.3			71.7	
1940			71.6			76.5			89.1			83.9	
1941			88.7			95.7			107.8			102.6	
1942			112.4			121.8			123.9			122.5	
1943			125.4			118.9			112.5			112.2	
1944			112.5			112.5			113.0			113.5	
1945			113.7			113.8			113.8			113.8	
1946	113.8	113.8	115.9	116.6	116.6	116.6	184.7	192.7	136.5	178.0	210.6	199.2	147.5
1947	196.2	203.3	213.8	203.9	209.1	216.3	221.4	230.9	245.8	234.4	223.6	230.4	219.4
1948	248.0	230.7	240.6	251.5	262.3	265.1	277.2	279.6	277.4	255.0	240.0	230.8	254.9
1949	222.8	212.5	222.4	224.9	227.0	230.3	227.3	224.4	230.4	219.6	212.9	206.5	221.8
1950	208.3	216.3	213.6	214.9	234.0	241.4	260.1	258.3	259.5	240.8	240.5	251.9	236.6
1951	261.5	274.8	273.7	274.1	276.3	275.4	275.2	278.5	280.2	283.5	273.1	266.1	274.4

1/ Wholesale meat price indexes are available only as shown. Bureau of Labor Statistics.
Retail price indexes for 1935-37 may be found in previous February issues of this Situation.

Table A-19.- Chicago wholesale price of steer beef and lamb carcasses and of composite pork products, and United States composite average retail prices for meat, 1932 to date

Year	Chicago wholesale price		Composite hog products, including lard				United States composite average retail price 2/			
	Steer beef carcass, Choice, 500-600 lb. per 100 lb. 1/	Lamb carcass, Choice, 30-40 lb., per 100 lb. 1/	72.84 lb., fresh products: Value	72.84 lb., fresh products: Per 100 lb.	71.32 lb., fresh and cured products: Value	71.32 lb., fresh and cured products: Per 100 lb.	Beef (Choice grade), per lb. 1/	Lamb per pound	Pork, including lard, per pound	All meat products per pound 3/
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1932	---	12.99	4.79	6.58	6.55	9.18	24.2	21.7	14.7	20.0
1933	8.79	12.25	5.01	6.88	6.58	9.23	20.9	19.6	13.6	17.7
1934	10.38	14.44	7.72	10.60	9.17	12.86	22.7	23.4	17.4	20.6
1935	15.57	15.86	12.58	17.27	14.32	20.08	29.6	25.9	25.1	27.7
1936	13.21	17.00	11.29	15.50	13.23	18.55	27.8	27.1	23.5	26.3
1937	17.31	17.81	11.60	15.93	13.70	19.21	31.6	28.4	24.2	28.5
1938	14.39	15.74	9.55	13.11	11.50	16.12	27.9	26.4	21.1	25.1
1939	15.46	16.87	8.02	11.01	9.72	13.63	28.6	26.4	18.9	24.4
1940	16.11	16.95	6.84	9.39	8.32	11.67	28.7	26.1	16.5	23.3
1941	17.18	18.41	10.68	14.66	12.12	16.99	30.7	27.8	21.2	26.6
1942	19.98	22.94	14.06	19.30	15.98	22.41	34.1	32.4	26.2	30.9
1943	20,62	24.63	13.42	18.42	15.46	21.68	35.2	35.9	27.2	32.0
1944	19.88	23.68	12.74	17.49	14.69	20.60	33.4	35.1	25.6	30.4
1945	19.88	23.68	13.08	17.96	14.80	20.75	32.7	35.2	25.6	30.0
1946	27.81	31.08	17.92	24.60	20.37	28.56	41.8	42.1	33.4	38.5
1947	41.46	42.66	26.98	37.04	29.58	41.48	61.1	56.7	47.2	55.4
1948	50.03	49.00	26.51	36.39	29.94	41.98	73.7	64.3	47.5	62.0
1949	42.66	49.64	20.96	28.78	24.61	34.51	66.8	67.4	41.1	56.0
1950	47.09	4/51.46	20.54	28.20	23.83	33.41	73.5	69.6	40.6	59.1
1951	56.42	57.27	22.88	31.41	25.94	36.37	85.7	77.4	44.9	67.3

1/ Grade name in use 1952.

2/ For data for 1913-31 see Livestock and Meat Situation, January 1950, pages 14-15. Derived from "market basket" data.

3/ Note that this is a composite including lard, and is calculated for fixed quantities of each meat in all years.

4/ Price of 45-50 lb. carcass, used for four months.

Table A-20.- Retail value of meat consumed compared with disposable personal income, by years, 1924 to date

Year	Average retail price of meat per pound 1/	Retail value of meat consumed per person 2/		Disposable personal income per person 3/		Retail value of meat as percentage of disposable income
		Value	Index number, 1935-39=100	Value	Index number, 1935-39=100	
	Cents	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Percent	Percent
1924	26.7	34.00	116.8	601	117.8	5.7
1925	30.0	36.30	124.7	627	122.9	5.8
1926	31.1	36.90	126.8	641	125.7	5.8
1927	30.5	35.60	122.3	635	124.5	5.6
1928	31.5	36.10	124.1	644	126.3	5.6
1929	32.7	37.30	128.2	673	132.0	5.5
1930	30.8	34.60	118.9	595	116.7	5.8
1931	25.6	29.10	100.0	505	99.0	5.8
1932	19.5	22.30	76.6	381	74.7	5.9
1933	17.5	20.70	71.1	358	70.2	5.8
1934	20.9	25.90	89.0	406	79.6	6.4
1935	28.0	28.20	96.8	453	88.9	6.2
1936	26.7	29.80	102.3	513	100.7	5.8
1937	28.9	31.30	107.5	548	107.5	5.7
1938	25.5	27.90	95.8	501	98.3	5.6
1939	24.6	28.40	97.6	533	104.6	5.3
1940	22.9	28.40	97.6	569	111.6	5.0
1941	26.8	33.30	114.4	686	134.5	4.9
1942 4/	31.4	37.90	130.2	860	168.6	4.4
1943 4/	31.9	40.80	140.2	963	188.8	4.2
1944 4/	30.2	40.70	139.9	1,055	206.9	3.8
1945 4/	30.2	37.90	130.2	1,073	210.4	3.5
1946 4/	38.4	51.35	176.5	1,117	219.0	4.6
1947	56.2	75.34	258.9	1,169	229.2	6.4
1948	62.6	78.88	271.1	1,277	250.4	6.2
1949	56.8	70.74	243.1	1,243	243.7	5.7
1950	59.5	74.11	254.7	1,339	262.5	5.5
1951	65.8	79.25	272.3	1,436	281.6	5.5

1/ Weighted average of retail prices for all important cuts. Note that this weights the price for each meat in each year by the quantity consumed in that year, and that lard is excluded.

2/ Computed from estimated retail weight of each meat consumed per civilian consumer.

3/ Computed from income date of U.S. Department of Commerce, 1929-49. Estimates up to 1928 by Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

4/ Data affected by wartime controls.

See *The Livestock and Meat Situation*, February 1950 for earlier data.

Table A-21.- Exports and imports of meat, product weight, 1930 to date 1/

Year	Exports				Imports for consumption		
	Beef and veal 2/	Lamb and mutton	Pork 3/	Sausage 4/	Beef and veal 2/	Lamb and mutton	Pork 5/
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds
1930	19	1	277	5	64	6/	5
1931	17	1	160	4	22	6/	4
1932	13	6/	116	9	25	6/	6
1933	17	6/	142	8	44	6/	3
1934	22	1	151	9	48	6/	2
1935	13	1	89	5	86	6/	10
1936	14	6/	68	4	94	6/	42
1937	13	1	63	4	95	6/	75
1938	14	6/	96	4	82	6/	52
1939	15	6/	130	6	91	6/	41
1940	17	1	94	5	75	6/	6
1941	28	1	268	81	146	6/	12
1942	21	5	651	396	115	1	1
1943	41	124	1,091	398	114	1	8
1944	28	25	1,131	259	97	6/	6/
1945	94	10	673	93	71	6/	3
1946	425	11	362	62	18	6/	6/
1947	158	7	63	14	34	6/	6/
1948	15	2	29	5	208	3	1
1949	20	1	60	9	157	4	3
1950	17	6/	58	4	199	3	32
1951	12	6/	82	6	312	7	49

1/ Exports and imports of major meat products, in product weight as reported by the Department of Commerce. "Commercial exports" exclude shipments to territories. They include USDA exports (1941-49) and, in 1947-51, shipments for military-civilian feeding in U. S. occupied areas.

2/ Fresh beef and veal, pickled or cured, and canned beef.

3/ Fresh and canned, and hams, shoulders, bacon, Wiltshire sides, Cumberlands, and pickled pork. Also includes Tushonka (1945-47).

4/ All sausage, including canned, and sausage ingredients.

5/ Fresh, pickled, salted and other pork, hams, shoulders, bacon and sausage.

6/ Less than 500,000 pounds.

Compiled from records of United States Department of Commerce.

Table A-22.- Meat exports and shipments to territories, and imports, carcass weight equivalent, 1936 to date 1/

Year	Commercial exports and shipments to territories				Imports				
	Beef and veal	Lamb and mutton	Pork excluding lard	All meats	Beef	Veal	Lamb and mutton	Pork excluding lard	All meats
	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.	Mil. lb.
1936	54	2	118	174	226	2/	---	45	271
1937	51	2	114	167	227	2/	---	80	307
1938	53	2	152	207	200	2/	---	57	257
1939	52	2	192	246	219	2/	2/	45	264
1940	56	2	163	221	168	2/	2/	6	174
1941	56	6	111	173	257	2/	2/	12	269
1942	34	4	66	104	211	1	1	1	214
1943	29	3	38	70	225	1	7	8	235
1944	41	3	54	98	189	1	2/	2/	190
1945	37	5	34	76	127	1	2/	2	130
1946	38	3	75	116	19	1	2/	1	21
1947	192	12	110	314	64	1	2/	2/	65
1948	50	6	82	138	341	5	3	1	350
1949 3/	29	3	104	136	228	7	4	3	242
1950 3/	24	1	110	135	322	10	3	33	368
1951 3/ 4/	17	1	113	131	458	13	7	51	529
	Exports and shipments to territories by USDA								
1941	1	---	372	373					
1942	25	7	1,133	1,165					
1943	79	127	2,075	2,281					
1944	91	68	1,660	1,819					
1945	301	24	839	1,164					
1946	645	16	405	1,066					
1947	4	---	25	29					
1948	0	0	0	0					
1949	0	0	6	6					
1950	0	0	0	0					
1951	0	0	0	0					

1/ Carcass weight equivalent of all meat, including the meat content of minor meats and of mixed products. Exports exclude shipments for military-civilian feeding in U. S. occupied areas. Shipments to territories include shipments to all territories through 1948, and from 1949 to June 1951, shipments to Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands but since July 1951, no shipments to territories are included, as data are no longer reported. 2/ Less than 500,000 pounds. 3/ Exports and shipments for 1949-51 not strictly comparable with earlier years (see footnote 1). 4/ Preliminary.

Data in this table are computed so as to show total withdrawals from and additions to the United States meat supply. They differ from data of table A-21 in that these are in terms of carcass weight equivalent; include shipments to territories in export data; exclude shipments for military-civilian feeding in all years since the program began in 1944 (table A-21 excludes these shipments only in 1944-46); and, in the case of USDA exports and shipments, is based on deliveries for export.

Data for 1910-35 are in The Livestock and Meat Situation, February 1949, page 38.

Table A-23.- Feed balance sheet, units of livestock production, and animal units fed, feeding year beginning October, 1940-51

Item	Unit	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944
Supply	Million					
Production	tons	98.6	105.1	120.8	112.1	116.7
Stocks beginning of crop year 1/	do.	22.8	23.1	18.5	17.8	11.6
Wheat and rye fed	do.	2.6	5.9	12.9	14.3	8.9
Other grains fed 2/	do.	.2	.1	2.3	2.1	2.0
Byproduct feeds for feed	do.	16.3	16.6	18.0	18.2	18.9
Total supply	do.	140.5	150.8	172.5	164.5	158.1
Utilization						
Concentrates fed	do.	108.0	118.7	142.0	138.8	129.0
Other uses	do.	11.2	13.6	13.3	12.8	15.2
Total utilization	do.	119.2	132.3	155.3	151.6	144.2
Total utilization adjusted to crop year basis	do.	117.4	132.3	156.3	152.9	143.2
Stocks at end of crop year	do.	23.1	18.5	3/16.2	11.6	14.9
Number of grain-consuming animal units fed	Million	156.0	167.3	192.4	193.2	173.7
Units of livestock production	do.	155.3	170.0	193.5	191.3	176.4

Item	Unit	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951 4/
Supply	Million							
Production	tons	114.4	124.3	95.4	138.2	125.9	122.0	114.0
Stocks beginning of crop year 1/	do.	14.9	10.9	13.9	7.9	30.8	31.2	28.7
Wheat and rye fed	do.	7.9	4.2	6.0	3.7	4.5	3.0	4.9
Other grains fed 2/	do.	.2	.1	.1	.7	.7	1.0	1.1
Byproduct feeds for feed	do.	17.7	19.4	19.0	20.0	20.6	21.6	21.6
Total supply	do.	155.1	158.9	134.4	170.5	182.5	178.8	170.3
Utilization								
Concentrates fed	do.	133.3	123.9	112.2	123.5	132.9	130.3	133.5
Other uses	do.	13.3	19.3	13.6	17.7	17.1	20.3	19.0
Total utilization	do.	146.6	143.2	125.8	141.2	150.0	150.6	152.5
Total utilization adjusted to crop year basis	do.	144.2	145.0	126.5	139.7	151.3	150.1	152.3
Stocks at end of crop year	do.	10.9	13.9	7.9	30.8	31.2	28.7	18.0
Number of grain-consuming animal units fed	Million	167.9	160.4	154.1	160.0	165.3	171.3	174.2
Units of livestock production	do.	174.8	169.6	165.0	171.2	177.0	184.4	188.4

1/ Stocks in all positions of corn October 1, and oats and barley July 1. Beginning 1947 includes sorghum stocks. 2/ Imported grain fed. 3/ Exclusive of grain at interior mills, elevators and warehouses. 4/ Partly forecast.

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